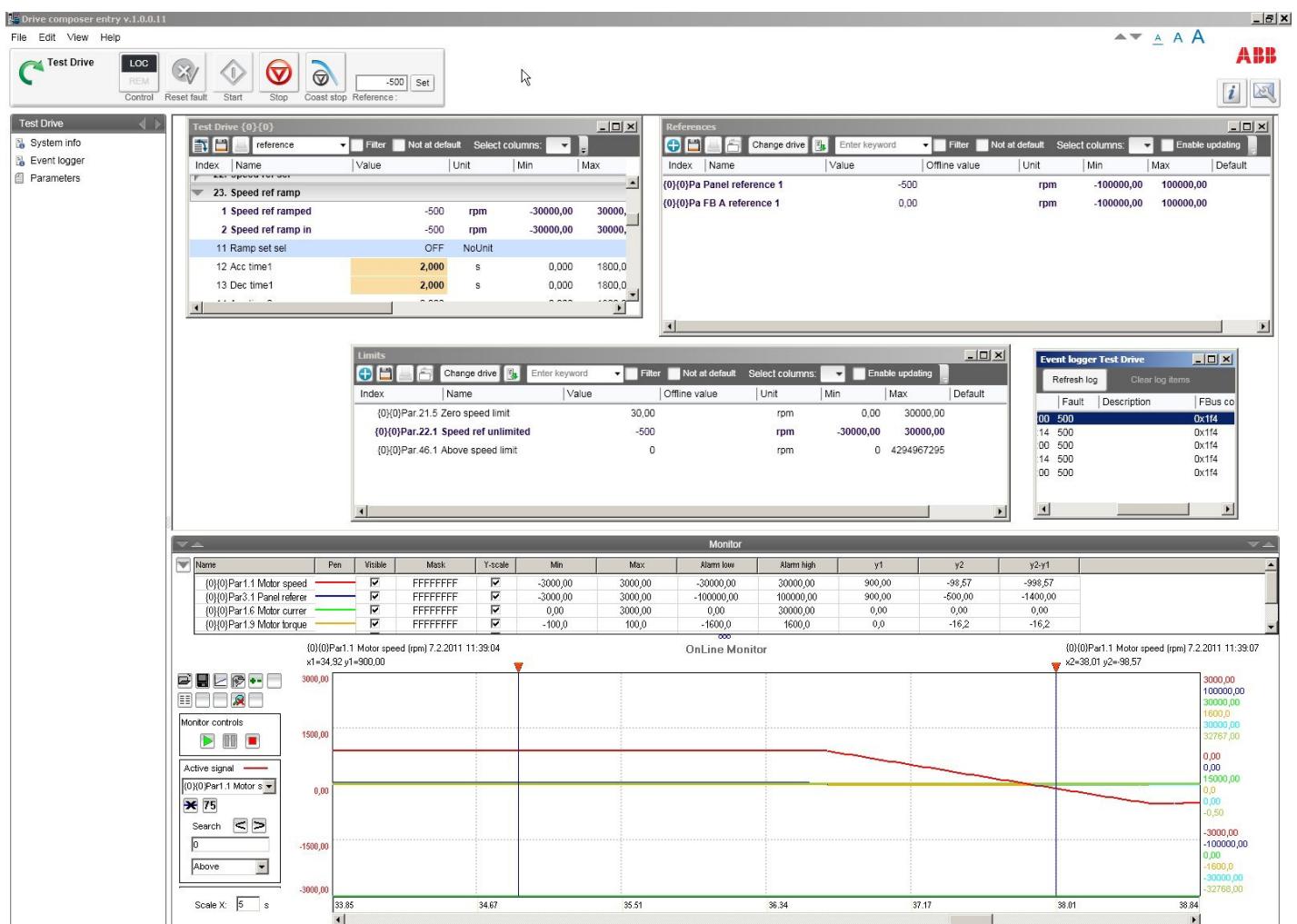


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List of related manuals

Drive firmware manuals and guides	Code (English)
<i>ACS880 primary control program firmware manual</i>	3AUA0000085967

Option manuals and guide

<i>FENA-11 Ethernet adapter module user's manual</i>	3AUA0000093568
<i>FSO-11 safety functions module user's manual</i>	3AUA0000097054

All manuals are available in PDF format on the Internet. See section [Document library on the Internet](#) on the inside of the back cover.

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About the manual

What this chapter contains

This chapter introduces this manual.

Applicability

This manual applies to the Drive composer PC tool available in two different versions:

- Drive composer entry, DCET-01
- Drive composer pro, DCPT-01 (code: 3AUA0000108087).

Drive composer entry can be downloaded for free by navigating to www.abb.com/drives and selecting *Drive PC Tools*. Drive composer pro includes all features and is available through ABB sales channels. Both versions require registration.

Note: The features available only with Drive composer pro are indicated with (pro).

Compatibility

Drive composer is compatible with common architecture drives. For example, ACS880 and ACS580 belong to the supported drive families.

Target audience

The reader is expected to be an automation engineering professional or an electrician and familiar with drive products and the concepts regarding their commissioning and operation, including the parameter system of ABB drives. Also a basic knowledge of Microsoft Windows operating system is needed.

Purpose of the manual

This manual describes the Drive composer PC tool and instructs how to use it in the commissioning and maintenance of the ABB drives.

Contents

The manual consists of the following chapters:

- *About the manual* introduces this manual.
- *Overview of Drive composer* briefly lists the main features of the Drive composer software and instructs how and where it can be run, and how to get help and additional information.
- *Installation and uninstallation of Drive composer* how to install and uninstall the Drive composer software.
- *Connections* describes how to make a connection with a drive through USB or Ethernet.
- *Main user interface components* describes the main user interface components of Drive composer PC tool, including the menus.
- *Parameter window* describes the parameter window view and its use.
- *Monitor window* describes the monitor window and its use.
- *Workspace handling* describes the workspace functionality.
- *Event logger* describes the event logger view and its use.

Terms and abbreviations used in this manual

Term or abbreviation	Explanation
Alarm limit of monitoring	You can set a low or high alarm limit for monitoring. Color(s) of the signal(s) change(s) on the monitoring graph area if the limit is reached.
Assistant	Provides predefined steps for setting the parameters of the drive. For example the basic start-up assistant.
Assistant control panel	Control panel with an USB connector enabling a PC tool connection for common architecture drives. Assistant control panel is a generic name for ACS-AP-I and ACS-AP-S panels.
Autoscaling	Y-axis scaling is set automatically when this button is enabled. User-defined y-axis limits are then disabled. Note: Zooming is not possible in the Autoscaling mode.
Backup	Backup of the drive. Includes all parameters, application program, user sets. ACS880 memory unit consists of FW and all the files that belongs to backup. Primary method to replace a broken drive control board is to use the memory unit from the old one. Note: Backup does not include the firmware of the drive.
Basic control panel	Control panel with limited basic functionality used with common architecture drives.
Bit mask of monitoring	You can select bits of, eg, the Status word and monitor them individually.
Common architecture drives	For example, ACS880 and ACS580.
Compare parameters	You can compare parameters between drives or between a drive and a file to find out differences.

Term or abbreviation	Explanation
Control diagrams	Graphical presentation of the drive reference chain or other function. Shows online values of a parameter, switch positions and signals. Parameters can be modified online. Functionality is not available for all drives.
Copy/Download parameters	Visible parameters of a parameter window or custom parameter window are copied/downloaded to a drive.
Cursor tool	Monitor window has a double cursor tool and the positions of cursors can be freely set on the Monitor window. $y2-y1$ and $x2-x1$ differences are calculated.
Custom parameter window	You can create windows and drag and drop (copy) parameters to those windows. Parameter values can be changed from a window and also saved for offline purposes. Filename extension for custom parameters is *.dccustparams.
Data file viewer	In the Demo/Offline mode, the Monitor window can be used as a data file viewer when saved monitored data (*.dcmon) or data logger data is analyzed.
Data logger	Signals are buffered inside the drive with a fast sample interval. Can be triggered and uploaded to the Monitor window to be analyzed.
Demo/Offline	You can set/view saved parameter files offline. Demo mode can be used for monitoring and testing functionality of parameters.
DriveAP	Adaptive Programming of the drive. Functionality of drive can be modified by adding some IEC 61131 -based blocks. Adaptive Programming can be done also with Assistant control panel. Note: Adaptive Programming is not available with all drives.
Event logger	Can consist of faults, alarms and events. Only faults stop the drive. Latest faults and alarms are also seen in parameter interface group 4, Warnings and Faults.
FENA-11	Ethernet adapter module for ABB drives.
LOC/REM	LOC denotes local control of the drive, either with Assistant control panel or the Drive composer PC tool. REM means that the drive is remotely controlled by the fieldbus master PLC or by I/O connections.
Lock/Unlock parameter	Parameter can be locked by a drive so that the user can see its value but cannot modify it.
Macro script	User-written sequence of macro statements for reading and writing parameters/signals. Filename extension for macro scripts is *.p.
Monitoring	You can set parameters or signals to the Monitor window. Values are collected with the sampling interval and drawn to a window.
NLS support	National Language Support, the user interface (UI) of Drive composer can be easily modified by editing language files found in the LANG folder of Drive composer PC tool.
Online/Offline	Online = PC tool is connected with the drive. Offline = PC tool is not connected with the drive. In the Offline mode it is possible to open parameter files, save monitored data etc.
OPC server	OPC DA server interface for Drive composer pro that allows other programs, such as Control Builder Pro (Advanced drive programming), to communicate with the drive.
Refresh the parameter	Parameter values are updated when a group is opened. You can set parameters to the Auto-update mode or refresh the value manually. Signals are always updated automatically.

Term or abbreviation	Explanation
Report	You can use report templates for energy savings, commissioning and maintenance. Templates can be modified.
Restore	You can restore the drive. You can select the parameters to be restored during the restore operation. For example, motor identification run results can be restored or deleted during the restore operation. Can be used for cloning drives.
Save parameters	Visible parameters of a parameter window or custom parameter window are saved to a file. Filename extension for saved parameters is *.dcparams. Note: Some values are not editable in the Offline mode.
Support diagnostics package	You can collect all data from a drive for troubleshooting purposes by clicking a button in Drive composer or on Assistant control panel.
Workspace	Workspace consists of the user interface status, such as parameters shown in the custom parameter window(s) and their status. You can save the current workspace status to a file and restore them later. Custom parameter windows with their contents and the Monitor window contents (signals selected, scalings, colors) are saved to a workspace. You can set one default workspace. Filename extension for the workspace is *.dcxml.

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Overview of Drive composer

What this chapter contains

This chapter briefly lists the main features of the Drive composer software and instructs how and where it can be run, and how to get help and additional information.

Drive composer

Drive composer is a 32-bit Windows application for commissioning and maintaining ABB common architecture drives.

The full version is called Drive composer pro and the limited version Drive composer entry. Both versions include a demo that allows testing user interface functionality, edit parameter files offline or open and analyze saved monitored files without connecting to a physical drive.

Highlights

With Drive composer, it is possible to:

- control the drive: start, stop, direction, speed/torque/frequency reference
- monitor the operation and status of the drive
- view and adjust drive parameters
- monitor signals in numerical and graphical (trending) format
- work simultaneously with multiple drives like master and follower drives (pro)
- display control diagrams of the drive for parameter setting and diagnostic purposes (pro)
- create user-specific workspaces by customizing parameter windows
- handle workspaces
- create and execute macro scripts (pro)
- use Ethernet-based fieldbus adapter modules for PC tool communication (one-wire solution, Profinet, Ethernet IP) (pro) or a drive-embedded Ethernet port
- use the USB port of Assistant control panel for the USB connection
- use an OPC-based commissioning and maintenance tool (pro).

Features

Feature	Drive composer entry	Drive composer pro
Parameters can be modified	Yes	Yes
Parameters can be searched	Yes	Yes
Parameters changed by the user have an orange background	Yes	Yes
Parameters can be saved to a file	Yes	Yes
Parameters can be copied/downloaded to a drive	Yes	Yes
Parameter windows can be customized	Yes	Yes
Parameters can be printed	Yes	Yes
Parameters can be edited offline	No	Yes
Parameters can be compared between parameter lists or drives	No	Yes
Data for the support service can be collected by clicking the Support package icon	Yes	Yes
As a simple monitoring method for basic purposes, signals can be monitored slowly, 2 signals per second	Yes	Yes
Monitored data can be saved to a hard drive	Yes	Yes
Monitored data can be exported to a PC by using the csv format file	Yes	Yes
For a professional analysis of a single drive or multidrives, max 32 signals can be monitored and 8 of them can be monitored fast	No	Yes
Contents of the Event logger (faults, warnings) can be viewed	Yes	Yes
Contents of the System info (drive serial number, modules, versions, SW etc.) can be viewed	Yes	Yes
Full backup/restore can be used for restoring or cloning	No	Yes
Full backup/restore of multidrives can be used for restoring or cloning in a network of drives	No	Yes
PC can be used to analyze the data logged in a drive by the Data logger	No	Yes
Assistants can be used to start up the drive easily	No	Yes
Macro scripts can be created and executed	No	Yes
Safety settings can be configured to the safety functions module	No	Yes
Point-to-point USB can be connected through the panel port	Yes	Yes
Network drives can be connected via Ethernet or with a panelbus	No	Yes
Control diagrams of the drive can be used for parameter setting and diagnostic purposes	No	Yes
User interface can be easily translated into different languages	Yes	Yes

Hardware and software requirements

■ Drive composer hardware

- USB type A (PC) type mini B (panel) cable for connecting Drive composer entry/pro through the USB port of the control panel to the drive (max 3 m)
- Ethernet cable RJ45 if the connection is made through FENA-11 or embedded Ethernet

■ Computer hardware

- IBM compatible PC
- Pentium 2000 MHz or a faster processor (recommended)
- 1GB RAM
- 1024 x 768 display resolution with 256 colors
- At least 50 MB free hard disk space
- CD drive
- One free USB port or Ethernet port

■ Software

- Operating system Windows XP, Vista or Win 7 (32 or 64 bit operating system)
- NET 3.5 SP1 (included with Win 7)

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Installation and uninstallation of Drive composer

What this chapter contains

This chapter describes how to install and uninstall the Drive composer software. Drive composer entry can be taken into use without the installer program.

Determining the current Drive composer version

To find out the version of the Drive composer PC tool, select **About Drive composer entry/pro** on the **Help** menu. The **About Drive composer** dialog box containing the Drive composer version is shown.



Figure 1. Drive composer dialog box

Using Drive composer entry without the installer

Read carefully the license agreement (License.pdf from the downloaded package of Drive composer entry).

To obtain Drive composer entry without using the installer program:

- copy the installation files to your PC
- install the Assistant control panel PC drivers as instructed in chapter [Connections](#).

Note: The installation of Assistant control panel PC drivers requires administrator rights.

Note: You must have .NET 3.5 SP1 or newer on your PC. Check the version by clicking **Start** → **Settings** → **Control panel** → **Add or Remove programs**. If you do not have .NET 3.5 SP 1 or newer, download it from:

<http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/en/details.aspx?FamilyID=ab99342f-5d1a-413d-8319-81da479ab0d7>

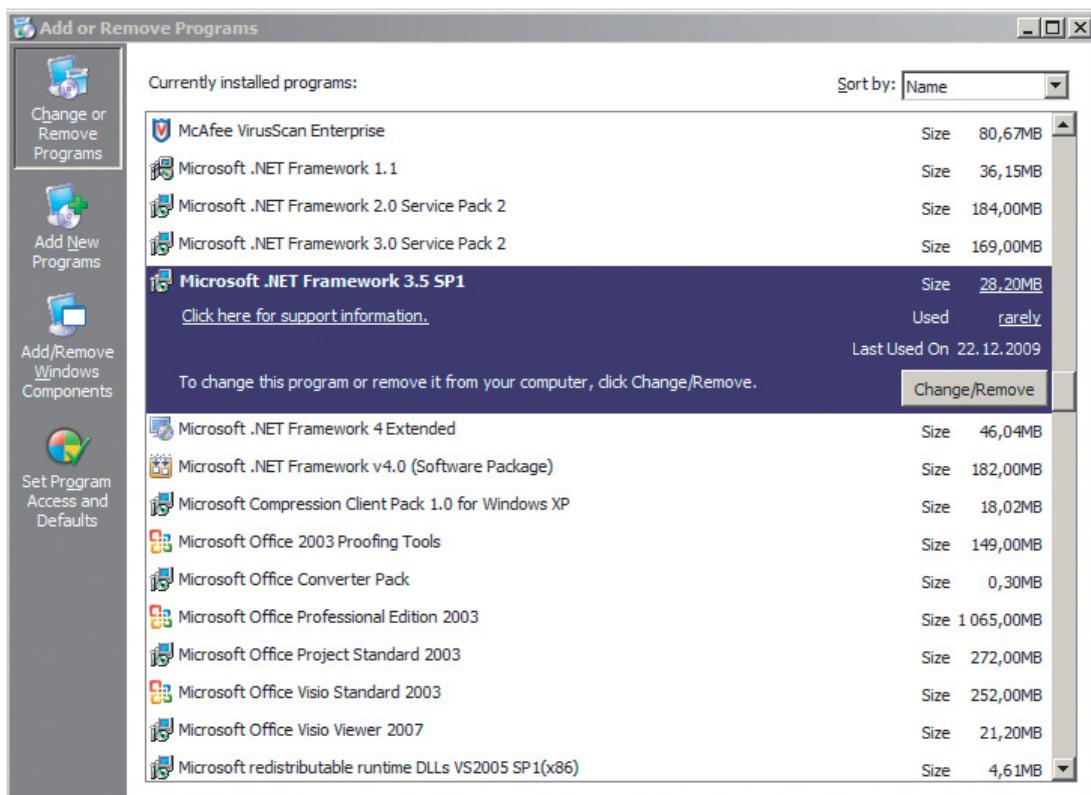


Figure 2. .NET 3.5 SP 1 or newer

To remove Drive composer entry from your PC, delete all files that are in the folder where you unzipped the Drive composer entry files.

Note: Before deleting all files make sure you do not have your own files – for example saved parameter files, your workplaces or saved custom parameter windows – in the folder structure of your Drive composer entry PC tool.

Installing Drive composer entry with the installer

It is recommended that you uninstall all previous versions of Drive composer entry before installing a new version. Quit all applications before starting the installation.

1. Run the setup.exe file from the folder where you unzipped the files.
2. When the Drive composer entry installation wizard window is shown, click the **Next >** button.

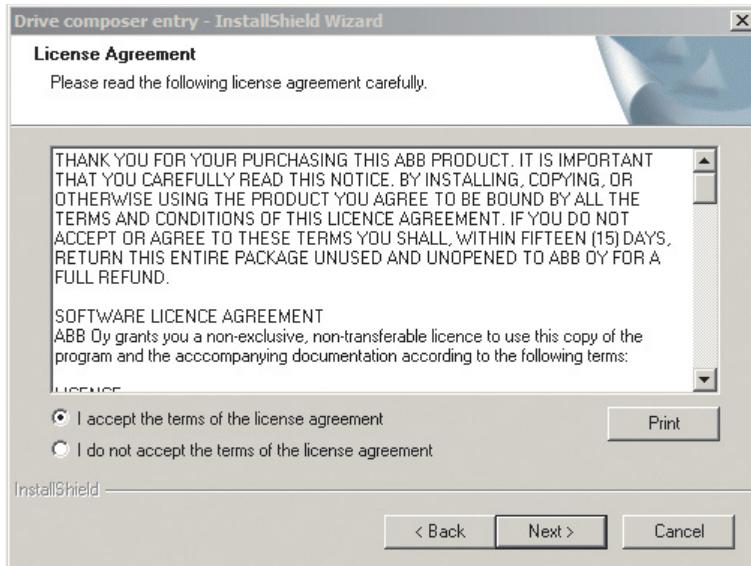


Figure 3. Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard for Drive composer entry dialog box

The second screen asks where to install Drive composer entry.

3. If the default location is OK, click the **Next >** button.
- Otherwise, click the **Browse** button to define another location.

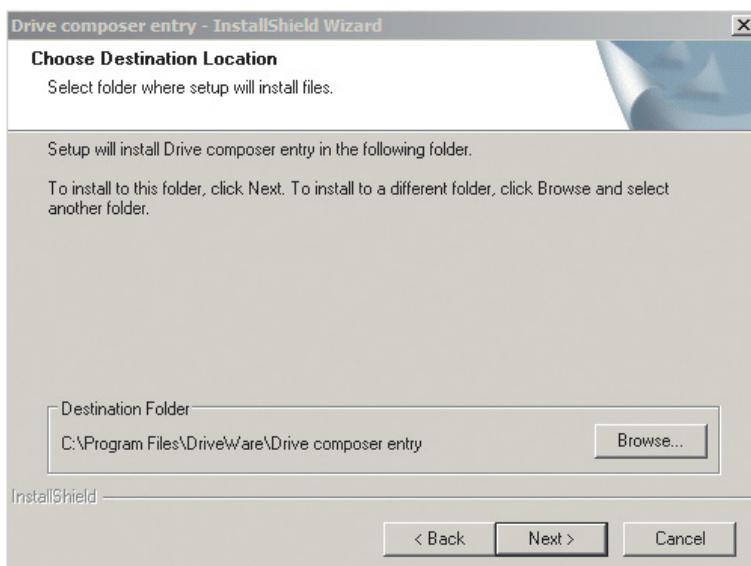


Figure 4. Choose Destination Location dialog box

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A confirmation screen is shown. You can return to the previous screen and change your selections by clicking the < Back button.

4. Start the installation by clicking the **Install** button.

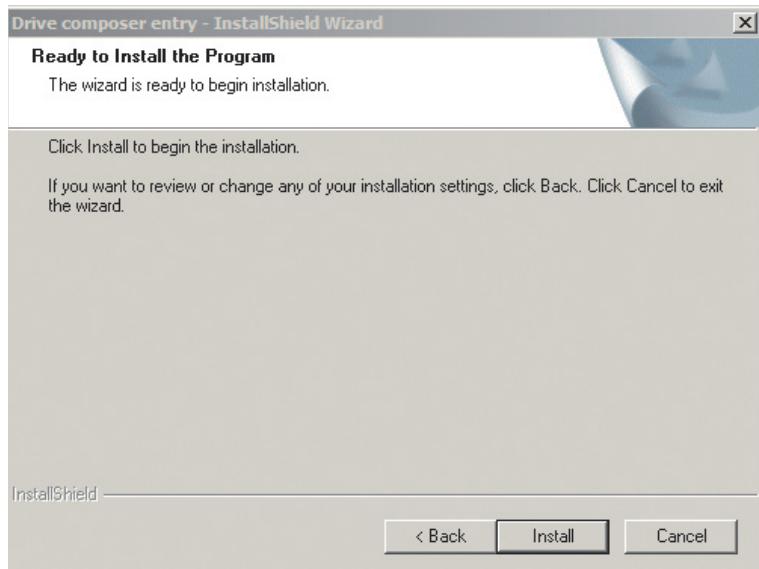


Figure 5. Ready to Install the Program dialog box

5. After copying the files to the specified location on your hard disk, click the **Finish** button to end the installation procedure.

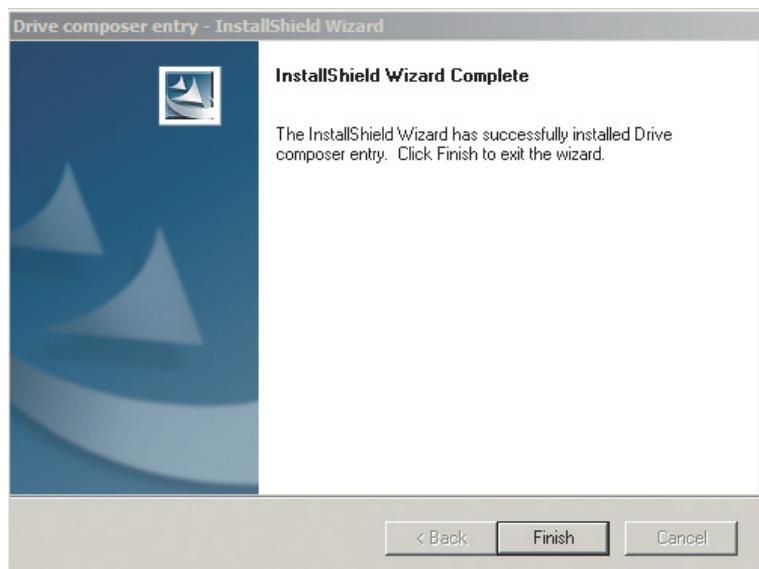


Figure 6. InstallShield Wizard Complete dialog box

Drive composer entry is now ready for use.

Uninstalling Drive composer entry with the installer

Note: You must have administrator privileges to be able to complete the uninstallation.

1. In the **Add or Remove Programs** dialog box of the Control Panel, click the **Change or Remove** icon and browse for Drive composer entry in the Currently installed programs list, select it and click **Remove**.

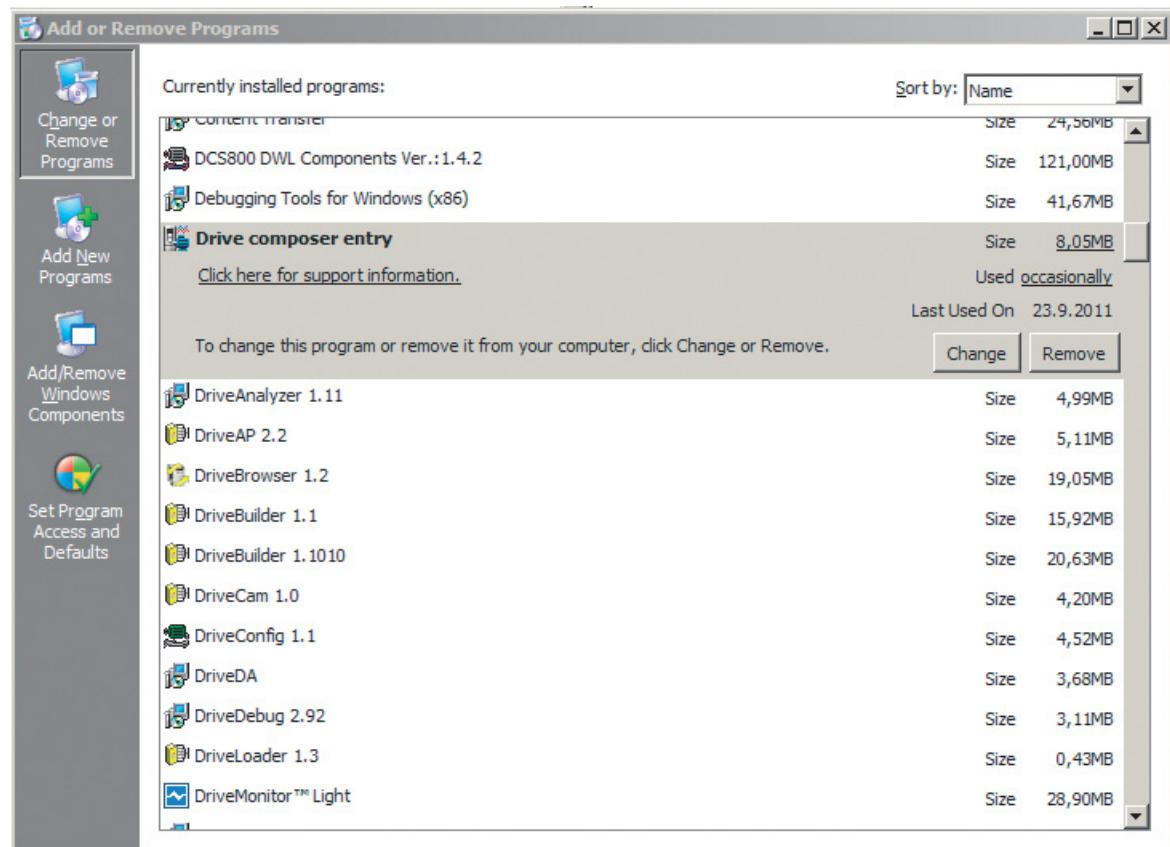


Figure 7. Removing Drive composer entry

Note: In Win 7, the dialog box is called **Uninstall a program**.

2. Click the **Yes** button to confirm that you want to remove the application.

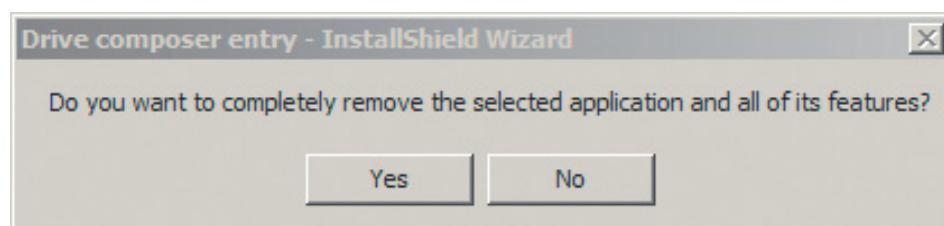


Figure 8. Confirming the removal of Drive composer entry

The uninstallation starts.

3. Click the **Finish** button when the wizard has completed the unistallation.

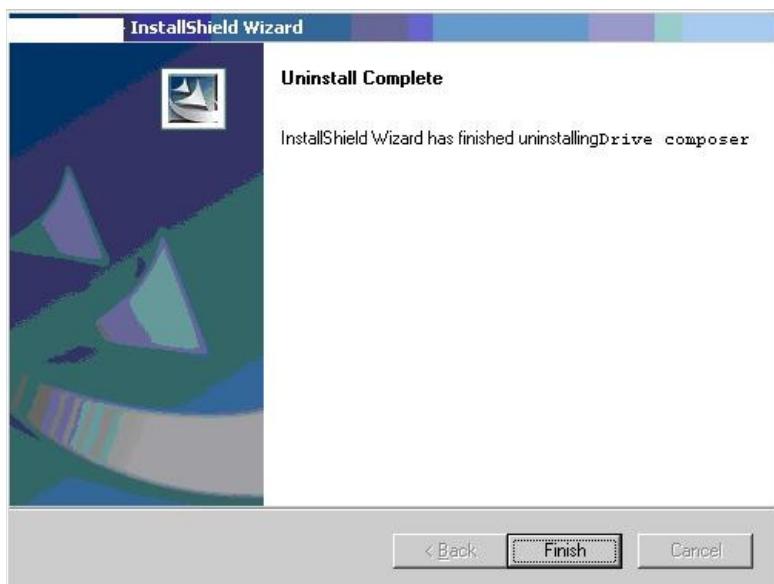


Figure 9. Uninstall Complete dialog box

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Connections

What this chapter contains

This chapter describes how to make a USB connection or an Ethernet connection to an ABB drive with Drive composer.

Assistant control panel drivers

Assistant control panel cannot be used with the PC until the drivers have been installed. If Drive composer entry is used without the installer program, the drivers must be installed separately as instructed below.

The drivers have been copied in the installation folder of Drive composer entry (by default C:\Program Files\DriveWare) or to the user-changed installation path.

You can also find the drivers from the Drive composer entry.zip file that can be downloaded by navigating to www.abb.com/drives and selecting *Drive PC Tools*.

Note: You must have administrator rights for the driver installation.

Installing Assistant control panel drivers for the Windows XP PC

1. Connect Assistant control panel to your PC.

The following screen appears:



Figure 10. Welcome to the Found New Hardware Wizard dialog box

2. Select **No, not this time**.
3. Select **Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)**.

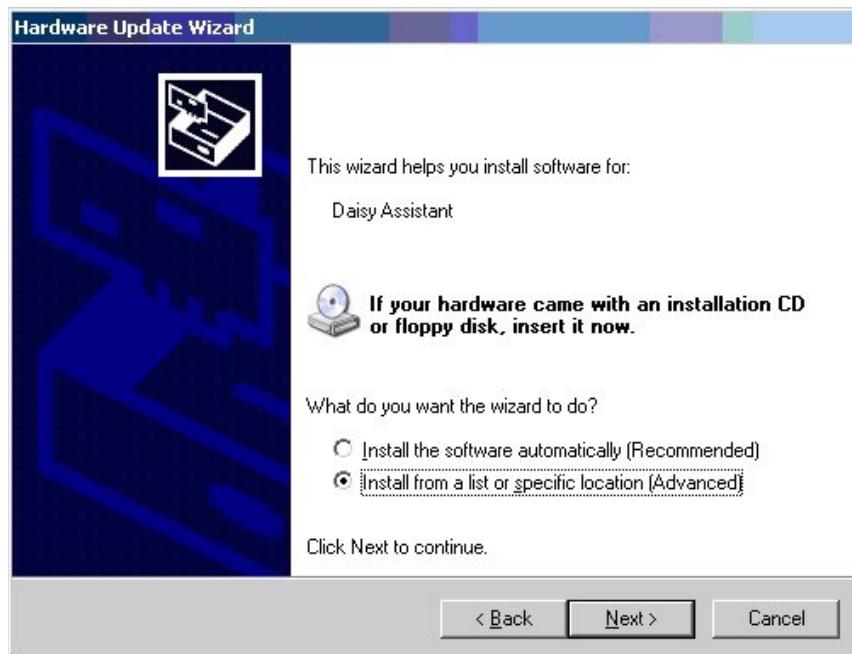


Figure 11. *Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)* option selected

4. Browse to the location of the installed files.

Normally the location is the following: C:\Program files\DriveWare\Drive composer entry tool.

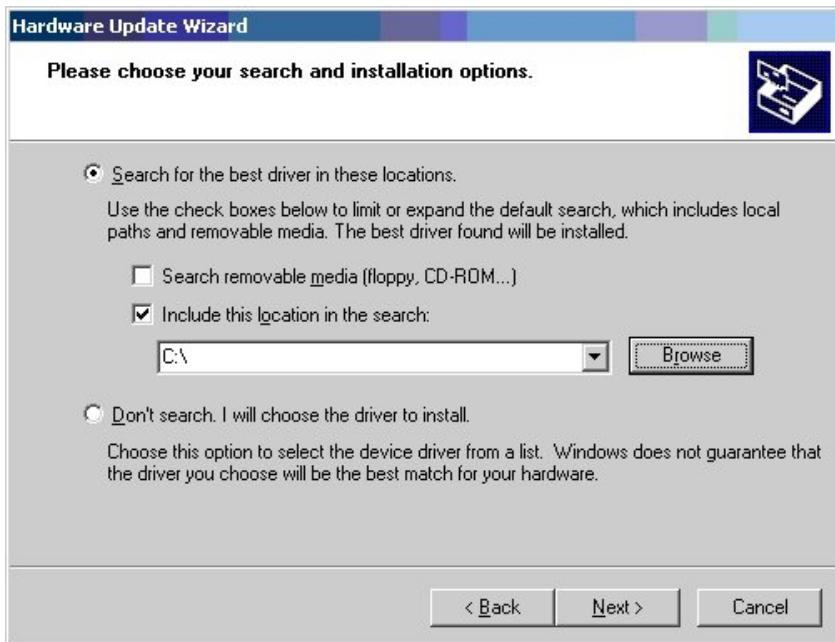


Figure 12. Search and installation options selected

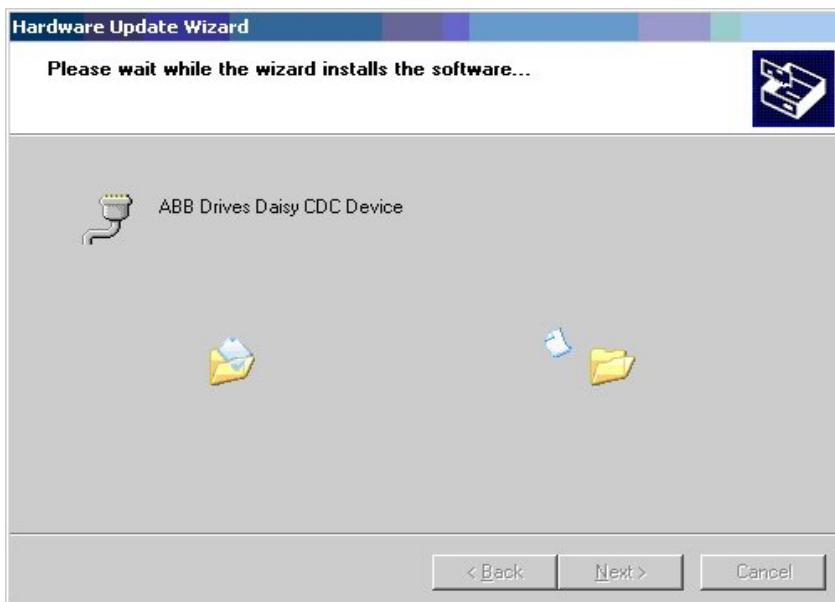


Figure 13. ABB Drives Daisy CDC Device dialog box

5. Click **Next >**.
6. In the next dialog box, click **Finish**.

The following screen appears:



Figure 14. *Welcome to the Hardware Update Wizard* dialog box

7. Select **No, not at this time**.
8. Select **Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)**.

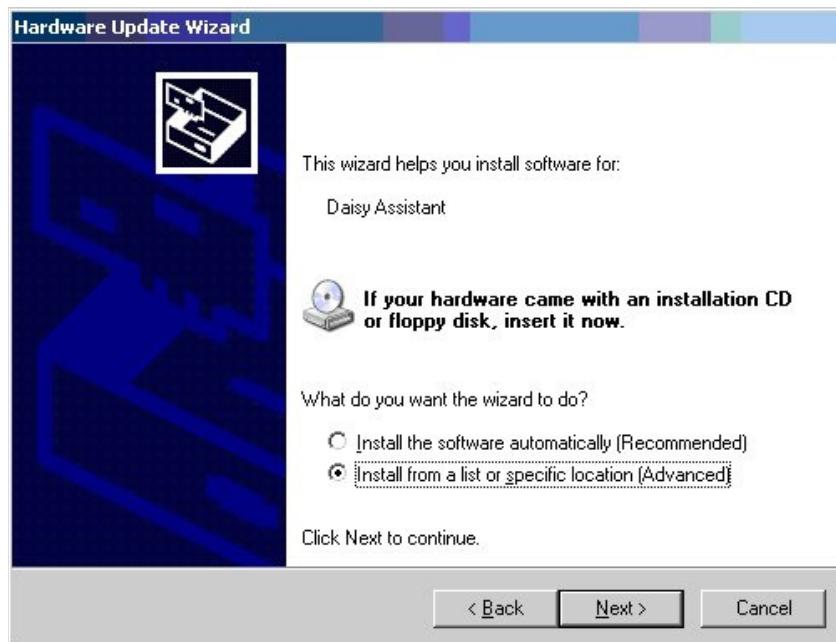


Figure 15. *Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)* option selected

9. Browse to the location of the installed files.
10. Select **Next >**.

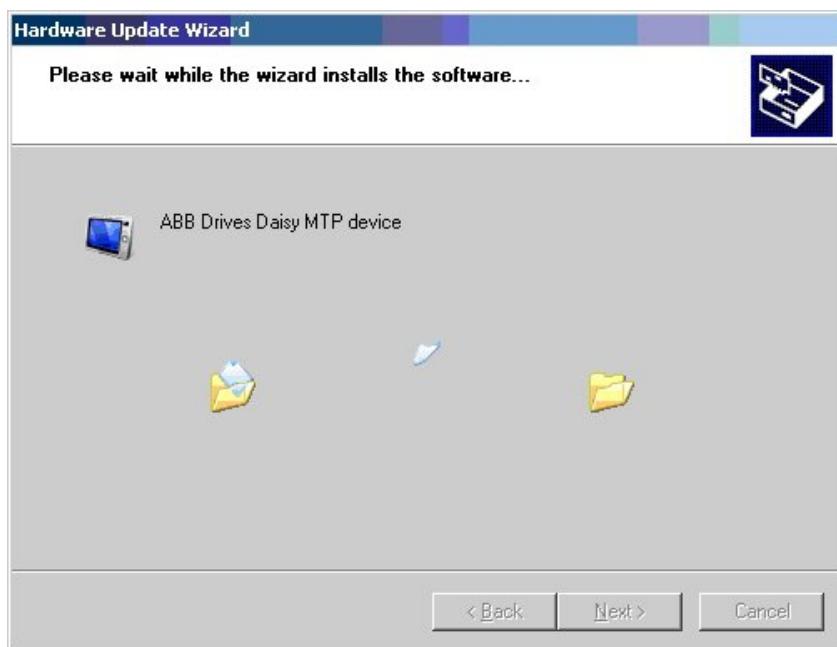


Figure 16. ABB Drives Daisy MTP device dialog box

11. Click **Finish**.



Figure 17. Completing the Hardware Update Wizard dialog box

12. To check the COM port number, right-click **My computer** on the desktop and select **Manage**.



Figure 18. COM port number check

13. Select **Device Manager** and click **Ports (COM&LPT)**.

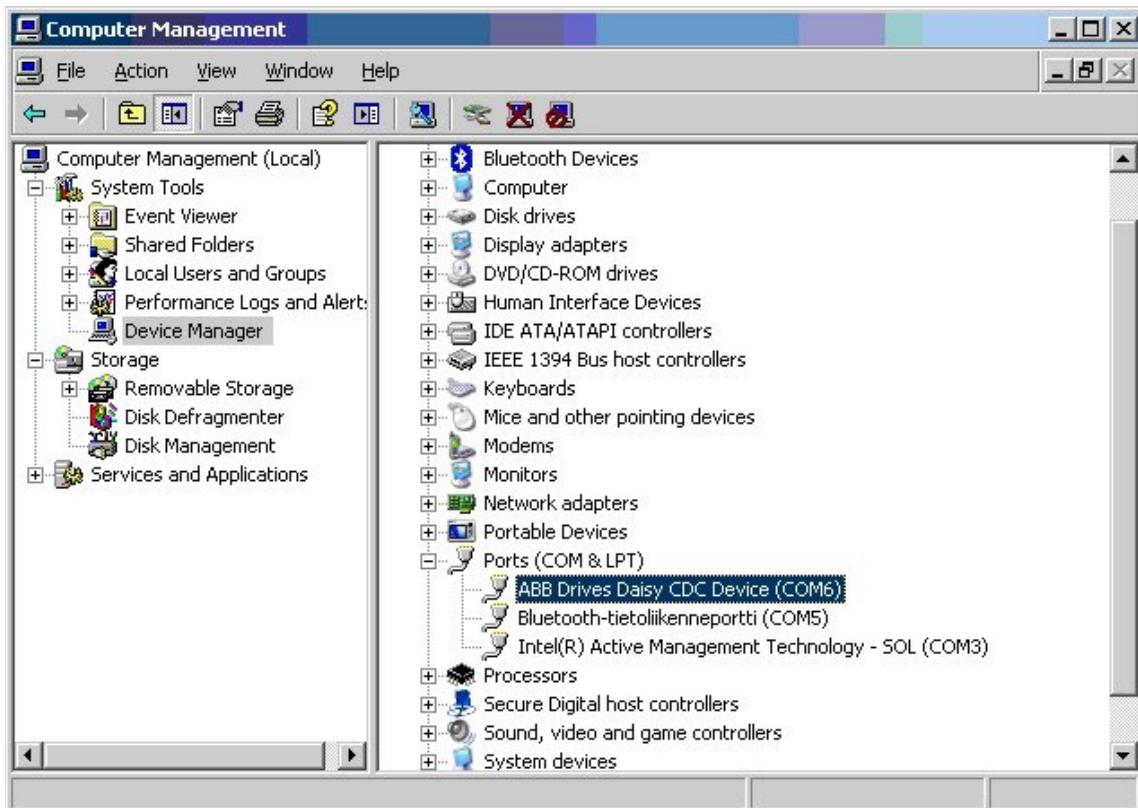


Figure 19. Ports (COM&LPT) selected

In this example, Assistant control panel uses always COM6 on this PC.

Note: You must install the drivers onto the USB port where you want to use Assistant control panel.

Installing Assistant control panel drivers for the Windows 7 PC

1. Connect Assistant control panel to your PC.

The first part of drivers are installed automatically and the following screen appears.

Assistant control panel can be used as a USB device.

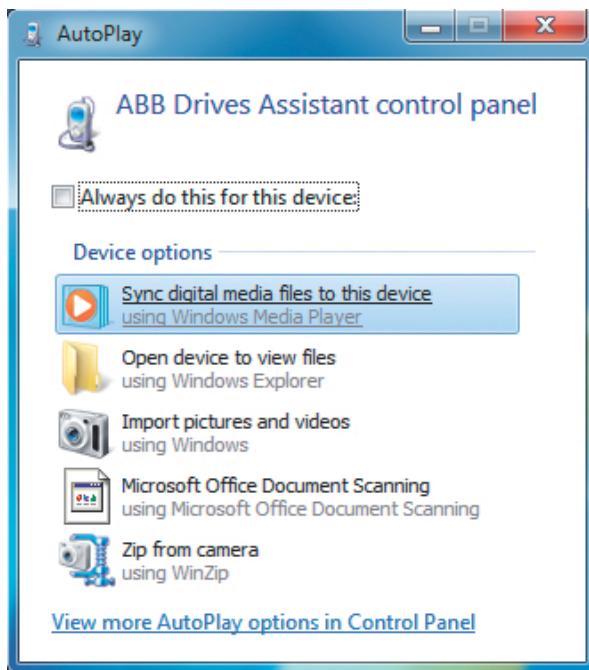


Figure 20. AutoPlay window

2. Install the second part of drivers manually as follows (after the installation of the second part of drivers has failed).
3. Enter `com` to the search field and select **Computer Management**.

The following screen appears when the program opens.

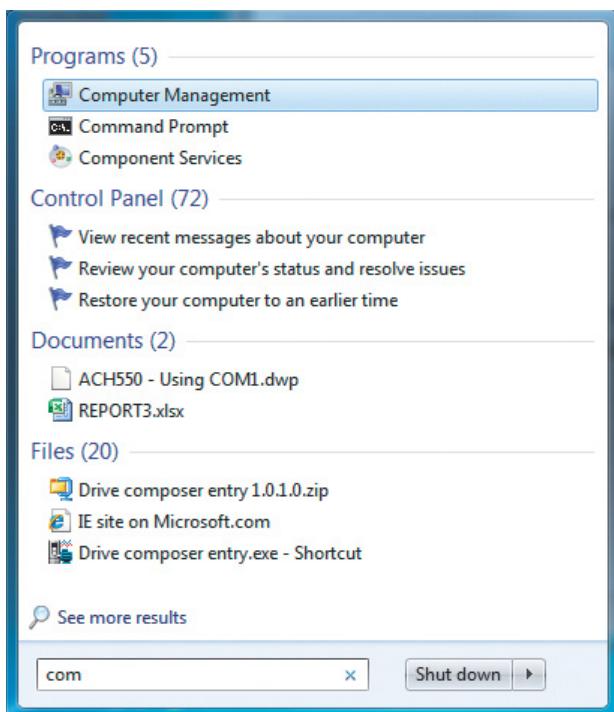


Figure 21. Computer Management program

4. Open group **Device manager / Portable devices**.
5. Right-click **ABB Drives Assistant Control Panel** and select **Update Driver Software....**

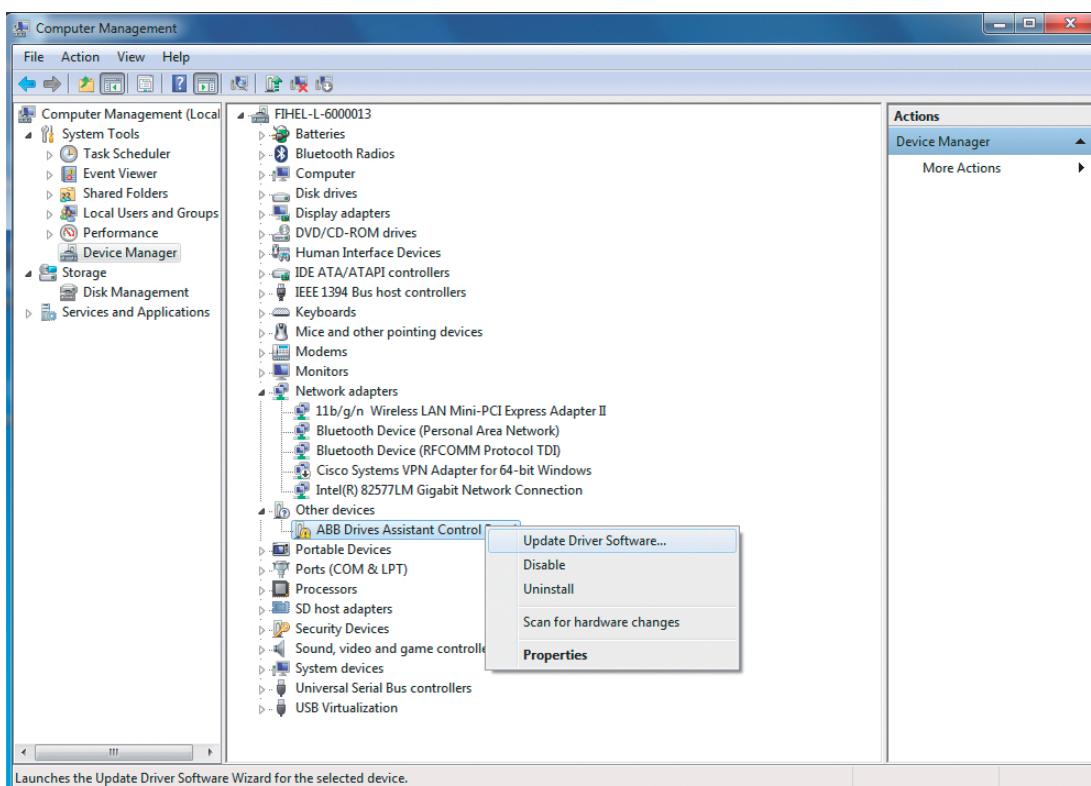


Figure 22. Update Driver Software selected

6. Browse to the location of the drivers (the installation folder of Drive composer).

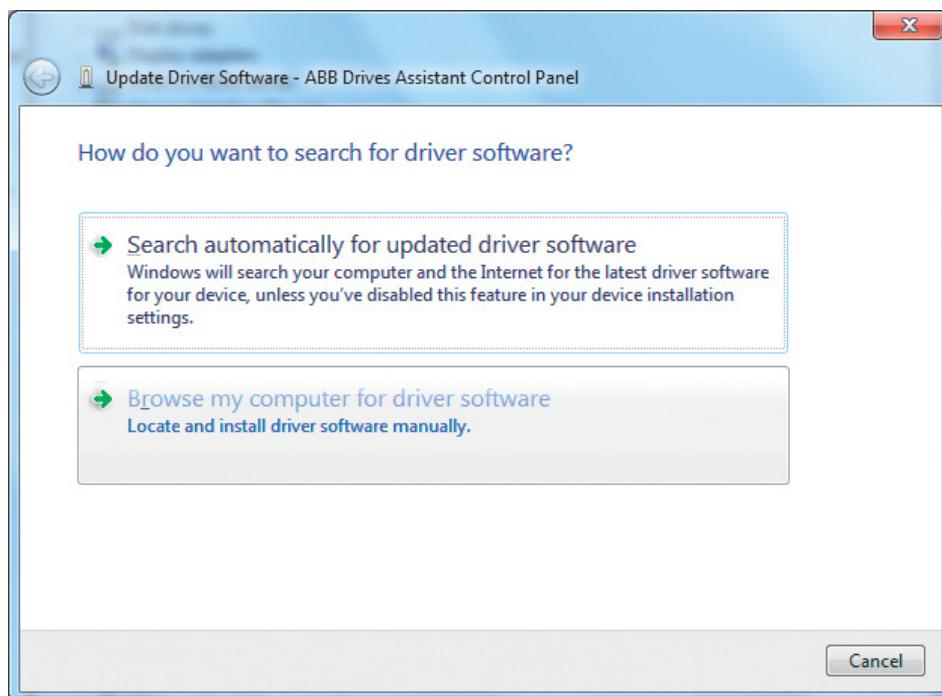


Figure 23. Search for the driver software

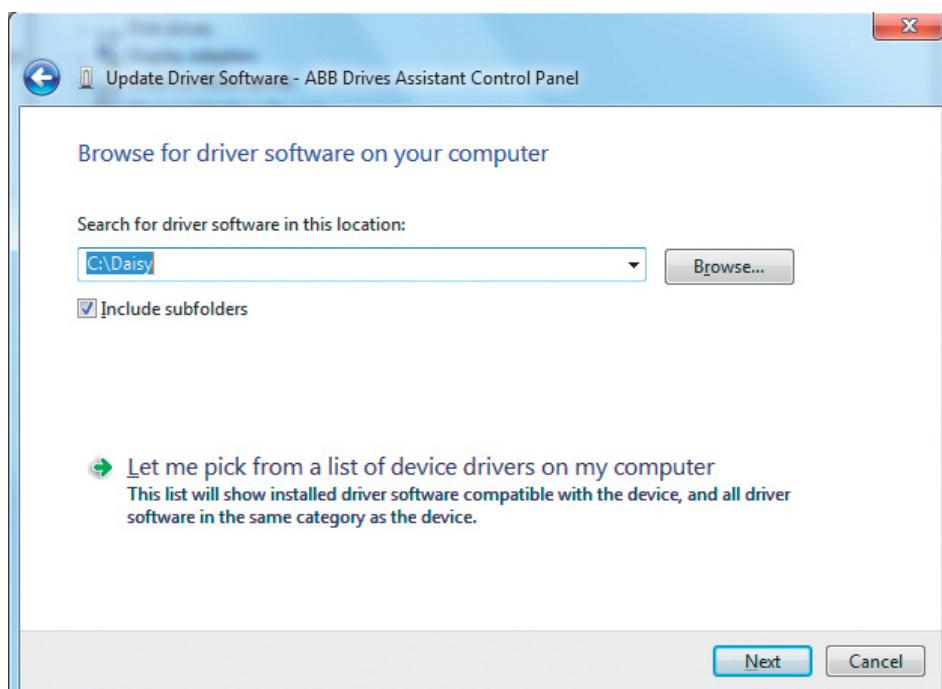


Figure 24. Browse for the driver software

7. If the following warning message appears, click **Install this driver software anyway**.

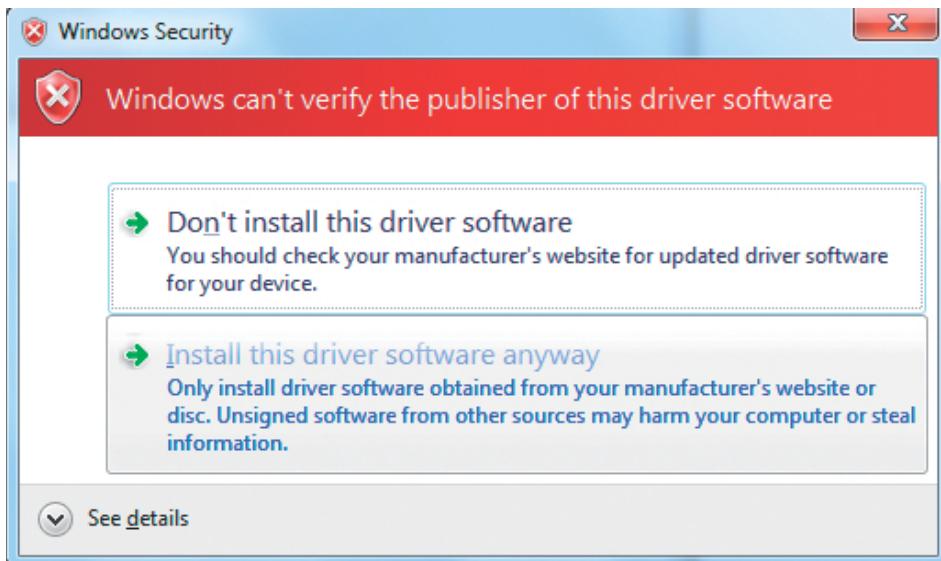


Figure 25. Windows Security message

8. Wait until the driver has been installed.

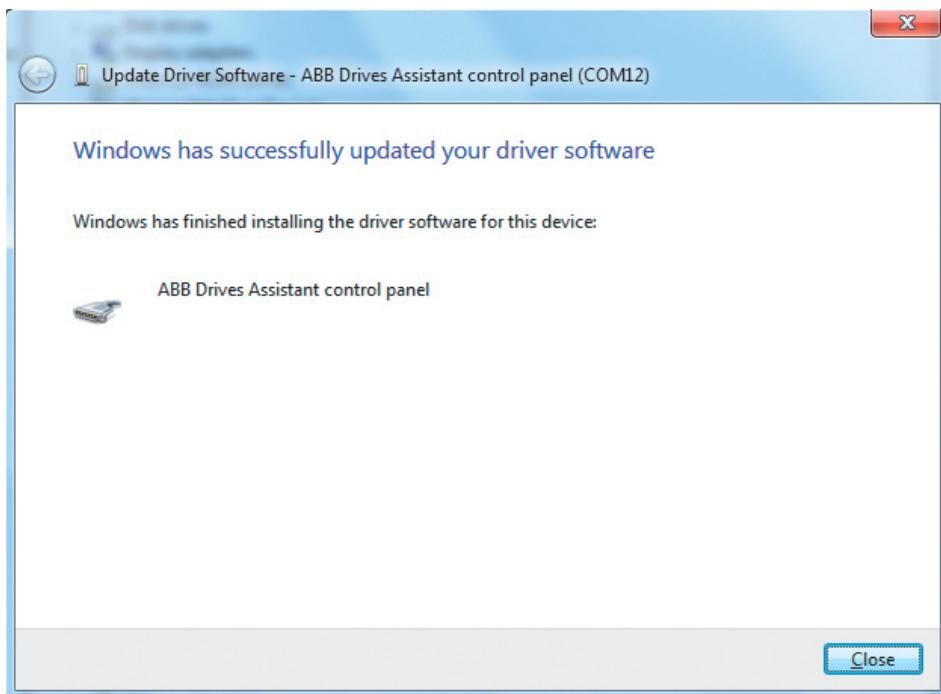


Figure 26. Driver software successfully installed

9. Write down the COM port number, for example COM12.

Note: You must install the drivers onto the USB port where you want to use Assistant control panel.

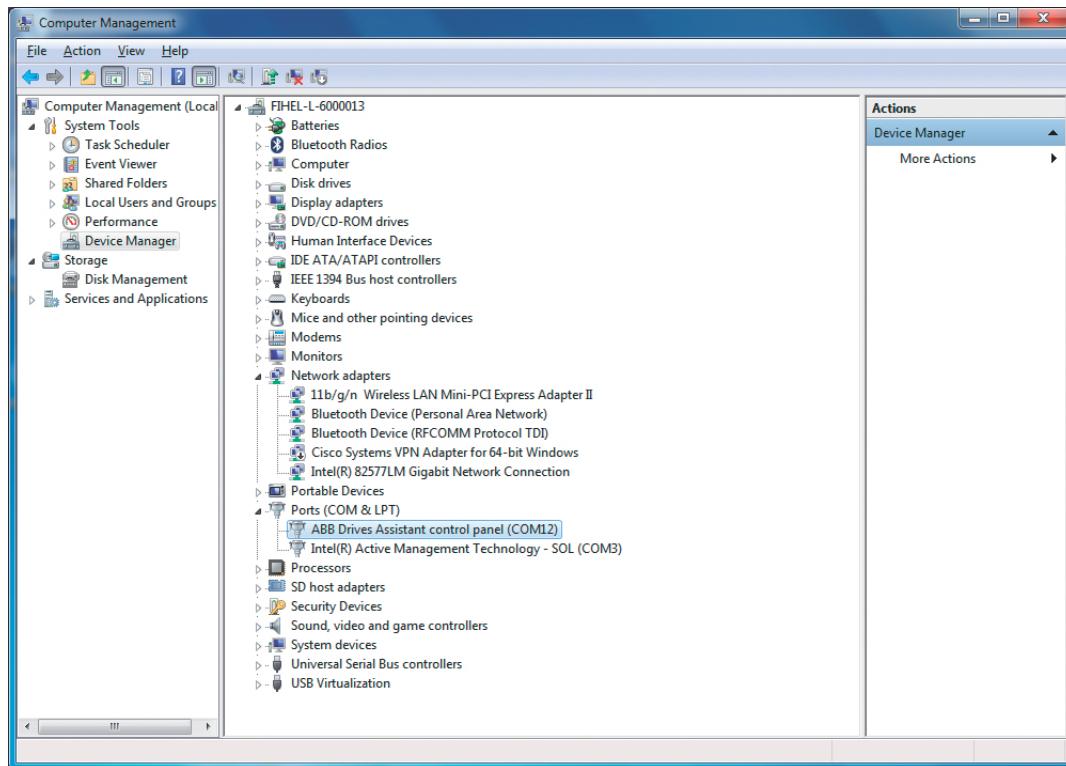


Figure 27. COM port number

Connecting to a drive with the Assistant control panel for the first time

To establish a connection between Drive composer and a drive, you must connect a USB type A (PC) type mini B (panel) cable between the USB port of the computer and the USB port of Assistant control panel. The maximum length of the USB cable is 3 m. If the drive is used without Assistant control panel or with Basic control panel, a separate USB/485 adapter is needed for the connection between Drive composer and the drive.

1. Connect the PC to Assistant control panel with an USB cable.

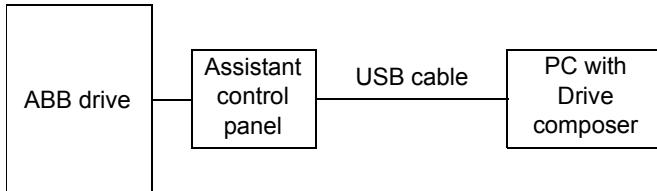


Figure 28. USB connection between Assistant control panel and PC

The following text appears on the Assistant control panel screen: "USB connected".

Note: Assistant control panel cannot be used when it is connected to a PC.

2. Launch Drive composer by double-clicking **Drive composer entry/pro.exe**.
3. Select the COM port that your Assistant control panel is using.

This question is asked only when the program is launched for the first time. If you want to change the COM port settings, go to **View -> Settings** in Drive composer.

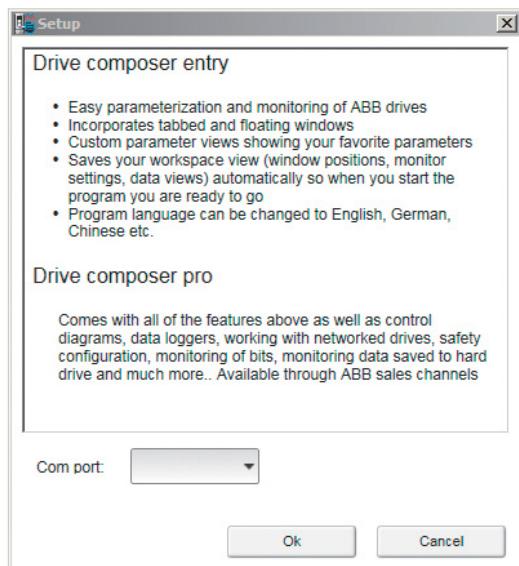


Figure 29. COM port number required

In this example Assistant control panel uses COM port 6.

4. Click **OK**.
5. Click **Connect** if you want to connect to the drive.

Note: The status LED starts flickering in Assistant control panel indicating that there is data transfer between drive and PC and the LED keeps blinking as long as there is a PC tool connected to the drive.

Click **Demo** if you want to choose the Demo or Offline mode

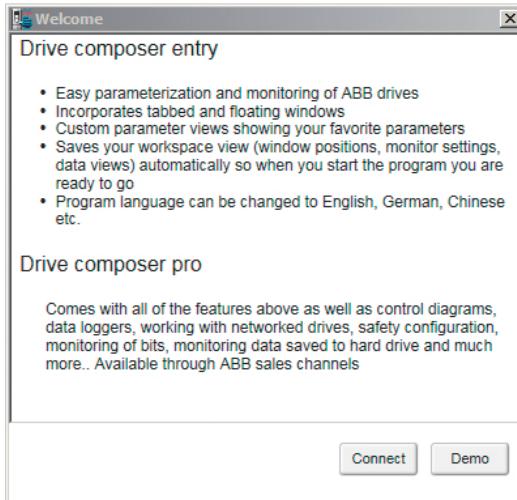


Figure 30. Connect/Demo button

Drive composer loads parameters and the following screen appears.

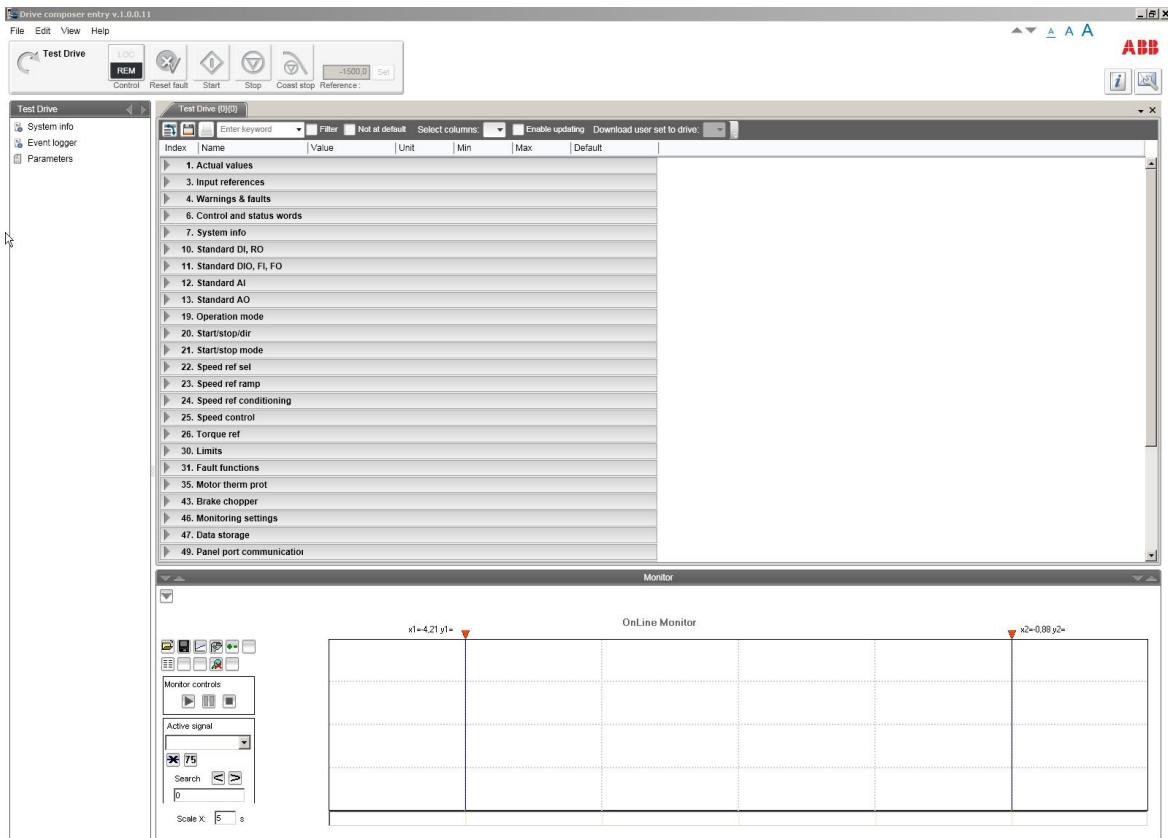


Figure 31. Parameters loaded

You have now an online connection to the drive. If you have a single drive and a point-to-point connection, move to chapter [Parameter window](#).

6. If you failed to make an online connection to the drive, go to **View -> Settings** to check your COM settings and click **View -> Refresh** (Ctrl + R) to reconnect Drive composer to the drive.

■ **Changing the language settings**

To change the language settings of the Drive composer UI, go to **View -> Settings**. To choose the default language of, for example, the menu or button texts in Drive composer, go to **View -> Settings -> Drive composer default language** and select the language from the drop-down menu. To choose the default language for parameters, go to **View -> Settings -> Drive default language** and select the language from the drop-down menu. By changing these language settings you can always use the same language when you connect Drive composer to the drive.

5

Main user interface components

What this chapter contains

This chapter describes main user interface (UI) components and how to use them. The user interface is designed so that the need to use menus has been minimized. All main functions are available on the component level.

Overview

The user interface consists of the following parts:

1. Title bar
2. Menu bar
3. Drive control panel
4. Drive list
5. Status panel (including the output view of the selected drive)
6. Working area for parameter windows, event logger, control diagrams, assistants etc.

The working area can be used either with tabs or floating windows. The figure below shows the user interface with floating windows.

The size of the drive list can be adjusted to the left/right. Similarly, the size of the working area can be adjusted by dragging the white separating line up/down. Most of the windows that are not maximized can be resized by dragging any corner. Scroll bars appear on the side or bottom of a window if it is possible to scroll the content.

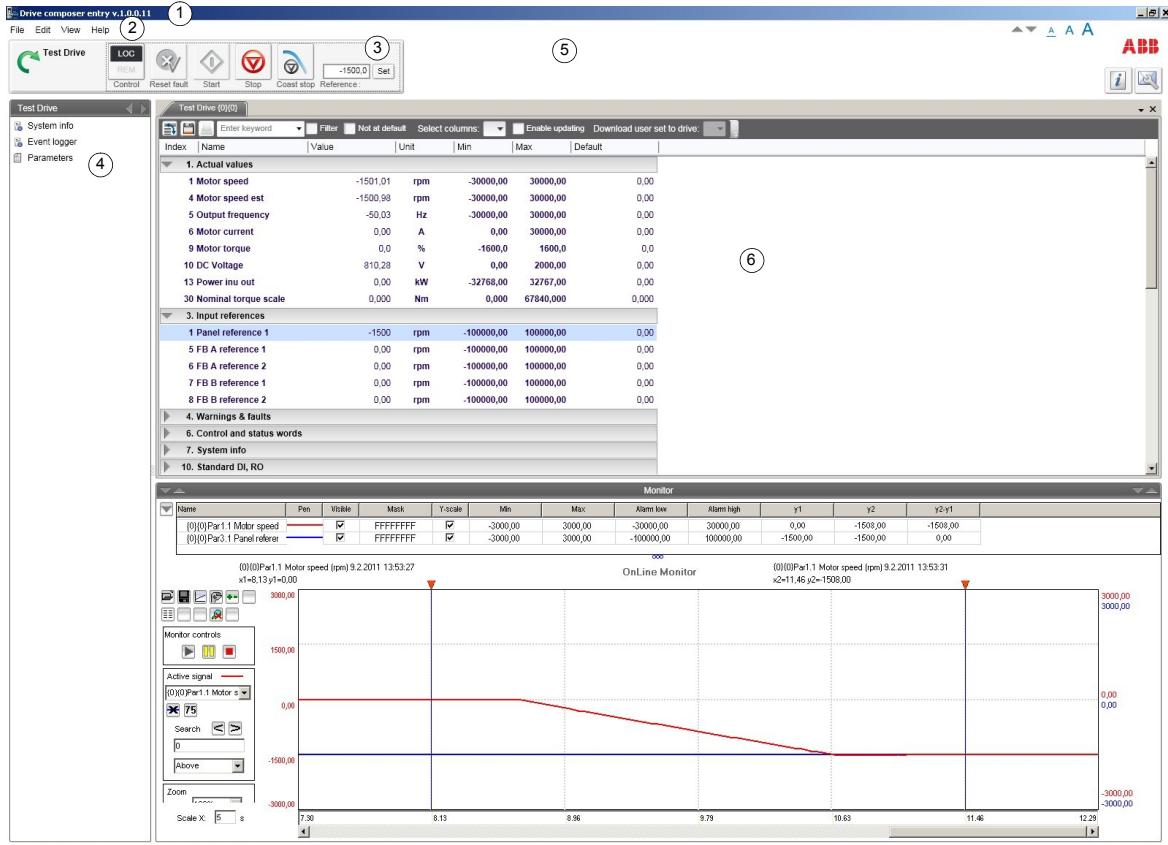


Figure 32. Overview of the user interface

Title bar

The title bar is located at the top of the main window. It consists of the following parts:

- System menu icon
- Application name and version number (Drive composer entry/pro)
- Name of the workspace (if there is an active workspace)
- Minimize button which has the same function as **Minimize** in the System menu
- Maximize/Restore Down button (the name depends on the status of the maximized window) which has the same function as **Maximize** or **Restore** in the System menu
- Close button which has the same function as **Close** in the System menu.

Note: When you close the application, you have to confirm that you want to do it.



Figure 33. Title bar

To reduce the main window to the taskbar or a sub-window to the bottom of the window area, click the **Minimize** button or go to **System menu** → **Minimize**.

To enlarge the window to fill the available space, click the **Maximize** button or go to **System menu** → **Maximize**.

To return the window to the size and position it had before it was maximized, click **Restore Down** button or go to **System menu** → **Restore**.

You can also maximize or restore the window by double-clicking the title bar.

To move a window, drag the title bar. To move a dialog box, drag its title bar. If you have maximized or minimized a window, you cannot move it by dragging the title bar.

To end your Drive composer session, click the Close button. Before closing down, Drive composer may:

- warn you about releasing control of the drive if the drive is controlled locally by Drive composer
- prompt you to save the workspace with unsaved changes
- remind you to save your monitor data
- remind you of unfinished printing.

Note: To disable the function prompting you to save the workspace with unsaved changes, go to **View -> Settings**.

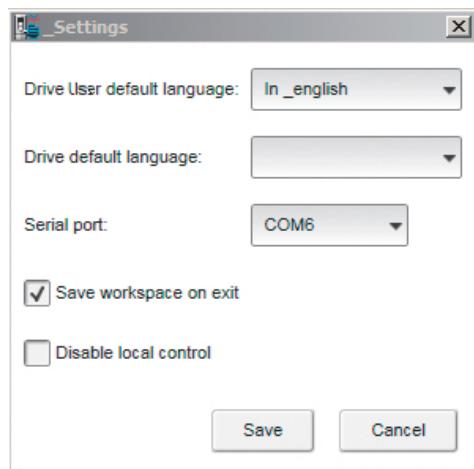


Figure 34. Save workspace on exit function

You can close Drive composer by

- double-clicking the System menu icon
- selecting **Close** in the System menu
- selecting **Exit** in the File menu
- pressing the shortcut key Alt+F4.

■ System menu

You can open the System menu by

- left- or right-clicking the System menu icon
- pressing the shortcut key Alt+space bar
- right-clicking within the non-button area of the title bar.

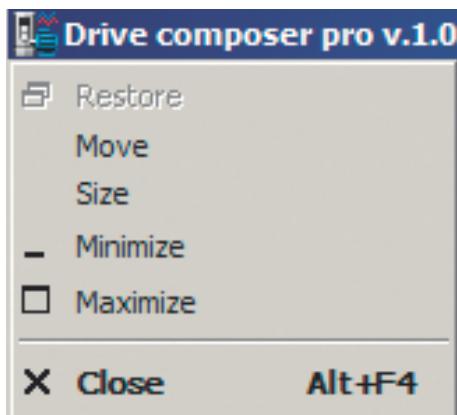


Figure 35. System menu

There are simple system menus on the dialog box level. You can open the System menu of a dialog box by

- clicking the System menu icon of the dialog box
- right-clicking within the non-button area of the title bar
- pressing the shortcut key Alt+space bar.

The System menu contains the following commands:

- **Restore** which has the same function as the Maximize/Restore Down button in the title bar when the window is maximized. The Restore command returns the window to its size and position which it had before it was maximized.
- **Move** which can be performed also by dragging the title bar. After selecting the Move command from the System menu, it is possible to move the window with the arrow keys. To stop moving the window, press Enter. To cancel the move, press Esc.
- **Size** which can be performed also by dragging any of the sides or corners of the window. After selecting the Size command, it is possible to resize the window with the arrow keys. To stop resizing the window, press Enter. To cancel resizing, press Esc.
- **Minimize** which has the same function as the Minimize button in the title bar. The Minimize command reduces the window to the taskbar or to the bottom of the window area.
- **Maximize** which has the same function as the Maximize button in the title bar when the window has not been maximized. The Maximize command enlarges the window to fill the available space.
- **Close** which has the same function as the Close button in the title bar. The Close command ends the Drive composer session.

Menu bar

The menu bar is located immediately below the title bar. It always contains the following drop-down main menus:

- File
- Edit
- View
- Tools (pro)
- Help.

To open a drop-down menu, click its name on the menu bar.

To execute a command from a menu, click its name on the menu. You can also use the arrow keys to navigate between the menus and within a menu. To execute a highlighted command, press Enter. To close a menu, press the Esc key. You can also use the shortcut keys to execute the commands.

File menu

The File menu is always located in the menu bar.

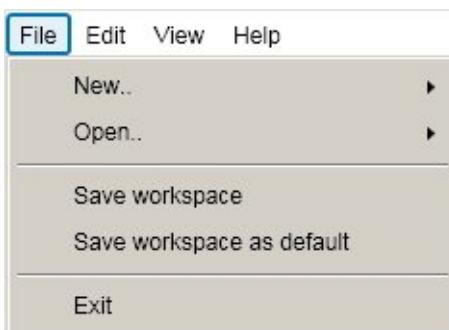


Figure 36. File menu

The menu contains the following commands:

- **New...** opens a window where you can select a custom parameter set window. The keyboard shortcut for the Custom parameter set command is Ctrl+N.
- **Open...** opens a new dialog.

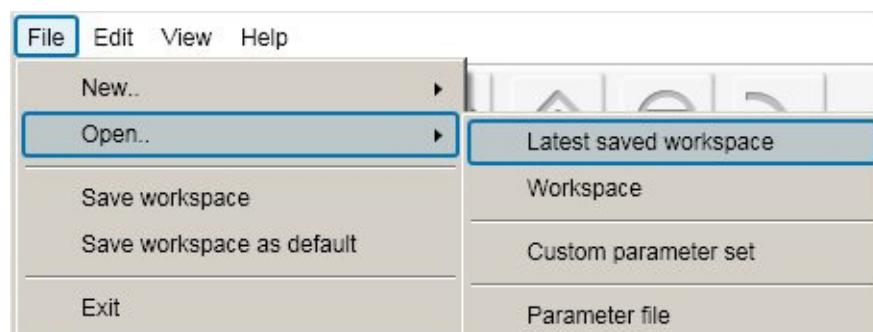


Figure 37. Open command

- **Latest saved workspace** opens the latest saved workspace. The keyboard shortcut for the Latest saved workspace command is Ctrl+.
- **Workspace** opens a new window where you can select the saved workspace to be opened. The keyboard shortcut for the Workspace command is Ctrl+O.

- **Custom parameter set** opens a new window where you can select the saved custom parameter window to be opened. The keyboard shortcut for the Custom parameter set command is Alt+W.
- **Parameter file** opens a new window where you can select the saved parameter file to be opened. The keyboard shortcut for the Parameter file command is Alt+P.
- **Save workspace** saves the active workspace to a file. The keyboard shortcut for the Save workspace command is Ctrl+S.
- **Save workspace as default** saves the active workspace to be the default workspace. The default workspace opens automatically when Drive composer is opened. The keyboard shortcut for the Save workspace as default command is Ctrl+D.
- **Exit** ends the Drive composer session.

■ Edit menu

The Edit menu is always located in the menu bar.



Figure 38. Edit menu

The menu contains the language commands with which you can select the language for the Drive composer user interface.

Note: The change in language takes place only after you have closed the Drive composer session and opened a new one.

■ View menu

The View menu is always located in the menu bar.

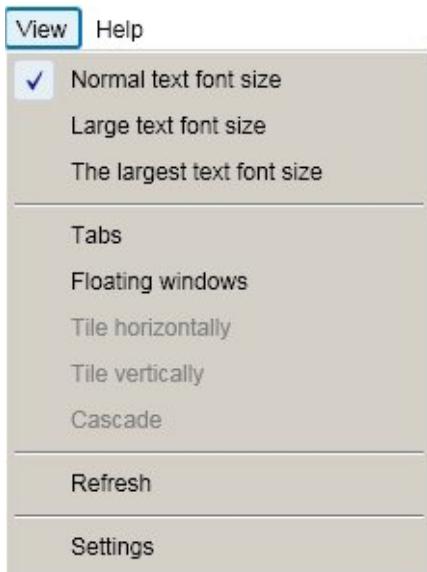


Figure 39. View menu

The View menu contains the following commands:

- **Normal text font size** for selecting the normal font size. The keyboard shortcut for Normal text font size is Ctrl+F6.
Note: The change in the font size does not affect the size of the monitor window font.
- **Large text font size** for selecting the larger font size. The keyboard shortcut for Large text font size is Ctrl+F7.
- **The largest text font size** for selecting the largest font size. The keyboard shortcut for The largest text font size is Ctrl+F8. The font sizes can be also be changed with the following A-letter icons.



Figure 40. A-letter icons for changing the font size

- **Tabs** for changing the working area to be viewed as tabs. The keyboard shortcut for Tabs is Alt+T.
Note: The monitor window cannot be tabbed.
- **Floating windows** for changing the working area to be as a separate window. The keyboard shortcut for Floating windows is Alt+F.
Note: The monitor window cannot be a floating window.
- **Tile horizontally** for changing floating windows to be tiled horizontally. The keyboard shortcut for Tile horizontally is Alt+H.
- **Tile vertically** for changing floating windows to be tiled vertically. The keyboard shortcut for Tile vertically is Alt+V.

- **Cascade** for changing floating windows to be cascaded. The keyboard shortcut for Cascade is Alt+C. The cascaded windows can be resized and freely located in the working area.
- **Refresh** for creating a new connection to the drive (uploads parameter information from a single drive and creates a new connection with multidrives). The keyboard shortcut for Refresh is Ctrl+R.
- **Settings** for defining the language and serial port, and for choosing whether the workspace is saved on exit and whether the local control is disabled.

■ Help menu

The Help menu is always located in the menu bar.

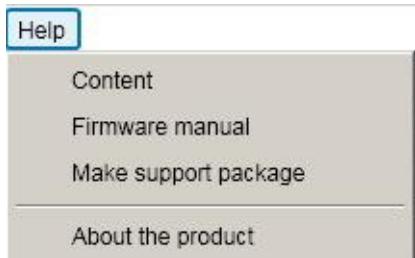


Figure 41. Help menu

The Help menu contains the following commands:

- **Content** or the F1 key opens the Drive composer user manual as a PDF file.
- **Firmware manual** or the F3 key opens the firmware manual of the drive in a separate window as a PDF file. If you have selected a parameter or some other significant item when you click this command or press the F3 key, the appropriate chapter in the firmware manual is displayed.
- **About the product** opens a window displaying the program information, version number and copyright text.

Drive control panel

The drive control panel is located below the menu bar. It has buttons for controlling a connected drive. It also shows the status of the drive.



Figure 42. Drive control panel

The drive control panel contains the following buttons and items:

- Name and node number of the currently controlled drive and an indication if it is running. See below for status icons explanations.
- Control button for controlling the selected drive with Drive composer or releasing the control of the drive.
- Reset fault button for sending a reset command to the drive. If the fault is no longer active, the drive clears it.
- Start button for starting the currently controlled drive. A motor connected to the drive starts rotating according to the set reference value.
- Stop button for stopping the rotation of the motor connected to the currently controlled drive.
- Coast stop button.
- Reference value field for entering a new reference value. When you click the Reference field, a tooltip tells you max and min limits for the reference and current reference value.
- Reference field for showing the reference used in the drive. The reverse direction is set manually with the - sign.
- Set button for enforcing the value in the Reference value field to the currently controlled drive. The same command can be performed by pressing **Enter**.

■ Drive list panel

The drive list panel shows all connected drives and open files. Drives are indicated with a motor icon (clockwise open circle arrow).

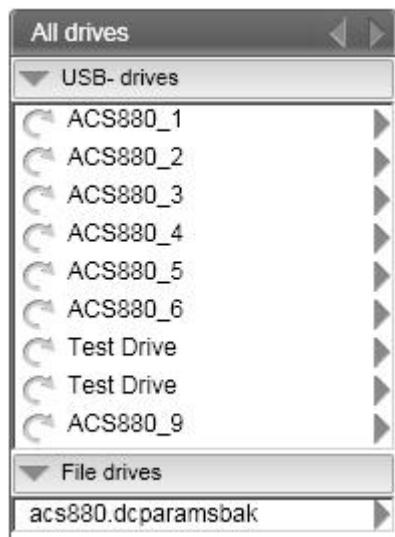


Figure 43. Drive list panel in Drive composer pro

A grey circle arrow indicates a stopped drive.

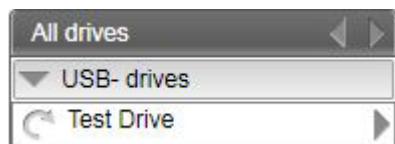


Figure 44. Stopped drive

A green circle arrow indicates a running drive.



Figure 45. Running drive

A red circle with a white cross (x) indicates a faulty drive.



Figure 46. Faulty drive

A message with an red background means that a drive that has an alarm.

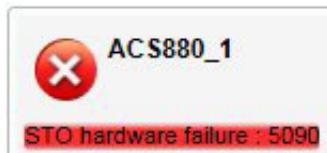


Figure 47. Drive with an alarm

A red broken line (—/ /—) means that the connection to a drive has broken.

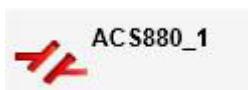


Figure 48. Drive with a broken connection

The views for a drive – parameter window, data logger, event logger, system info, assistants (if such are available for the drive), control diagrams (if such are available for the drive) – can be seen by clicking with the primary mouse button and selecting the corresponding icons from the pop-up window.

You can open those views either as new tabs or floating windows. If an active window is associated with a drive or a file, the corresponding tree item is highlighted in the drive list.

■ Using the drive control panel for starting the drive

1. See the firmware manual of the drive for parameters you must set before starting.
2. Click the Control button.
The control box indicator changes to LOC.
3. Enter a reference value and press Enter or click the Set button.
4. Click Start.
The drive starts. The indicator box arrow changes to green.

Note: Limit settings in group 30 affect reference limits.

Working area

Parameter windows, custom parameter windows, event logger, system info, control diagrams, assistants etc. are shown in the working area. The user interface is tabbed by default. You can change the order of tabs by dragging them. You can open tabs for a single drive or for multiple drives.

The working area can be set to a floating window. Then parameter windows, custom parameter windows, event logger, system info, control diagrams, assistants etc. are shown as floating windows. The floating windows can be tiled vertically or horizontally or cascaded by using the commands in the View menu.

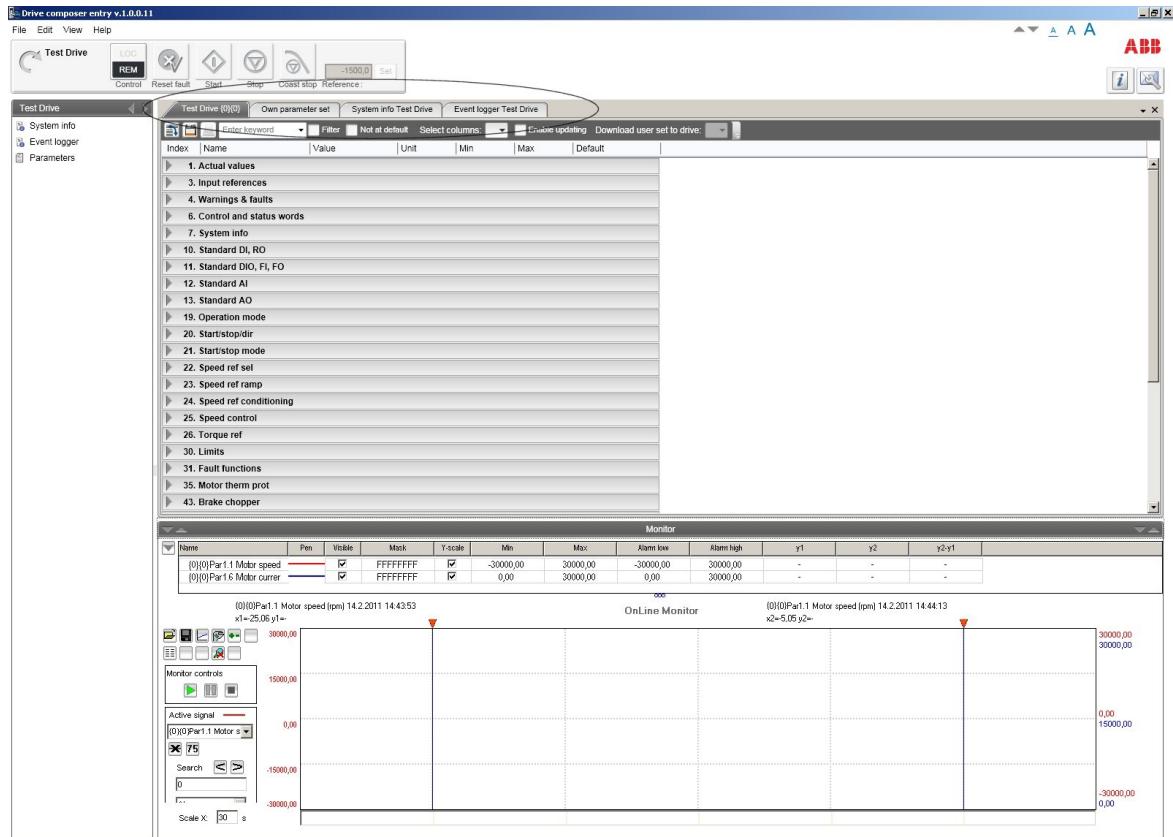


Figure 49. Tabbed user interface

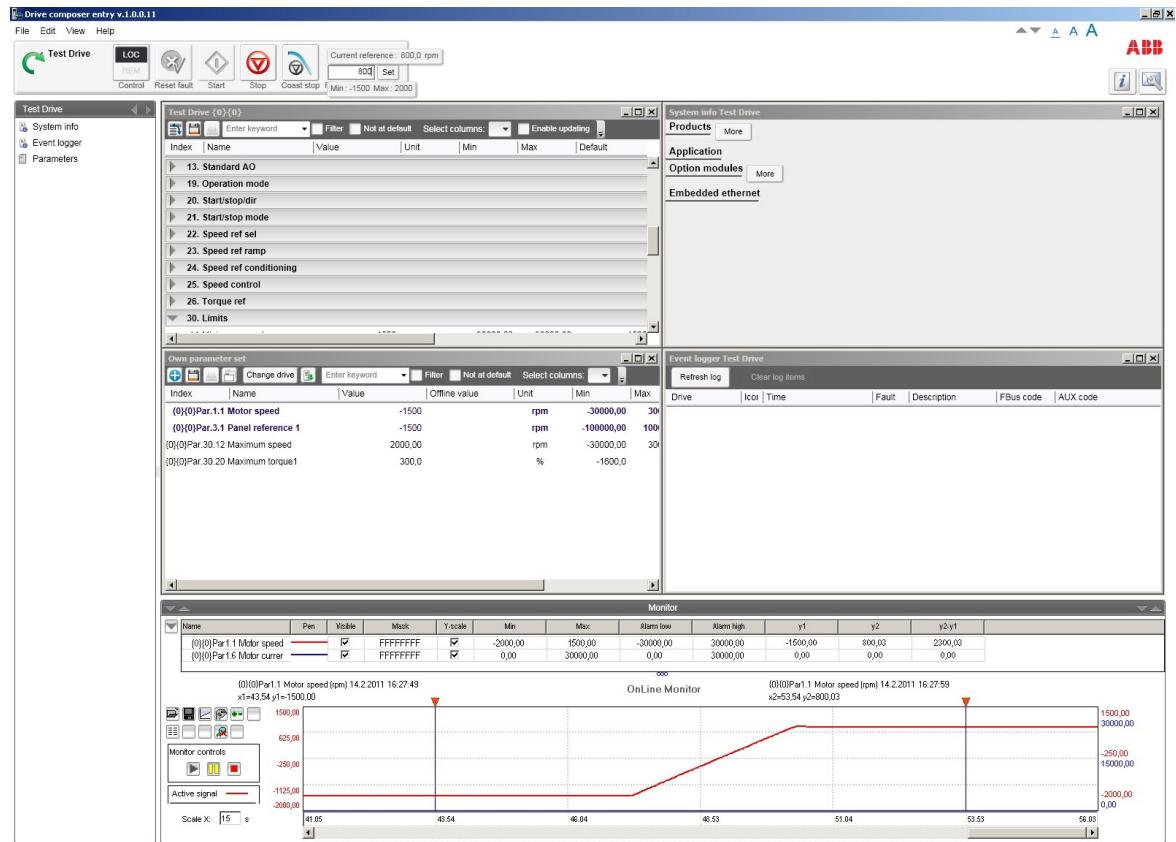


Figure 50. Floating windows

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Parameter window

What this chapter contains

This chapter describes the parameter and custom parameter windows.

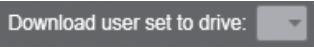
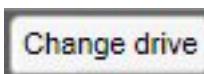
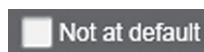
Parameter window

With Drive composer entry the parameter window is always opened when you make connection to a drive. With Drive composer pro the parameter window is opened by clicking on the selected drive in the drive list and selecting **Parameters**.

If you close the parameter window you can open it by clicking **Parameters** in the drive list.

The parameter window view displays parameter groups, parameters and their values for the associated drive or a file. There can be several parameter windows in the working area. The headline of each parameter window shows which drive it belongs to. On top of the parameter window there are the following command icons.

Icon	Description
	Expands/collapses parameter groups. When parameter groups are expanded, all parameter values are read once from the drive. Note: First this might take up to one minute depending on the drive type.
	Saves parameters to a file. Saves visible parameters to a file. File extension is *.dcparams(bak).
	Prints visible parameters.

Icon	Description
	<p>Enables you to search parameter lists with a keyword. Search is activated/deactivated by clicking the Filter check box. When the Filter check box is unchecked all parameters are seen.</p> <p>Note: If parameter groups have not been expanded, the first search takes about 30—60 seconds.</p>
	Allows you to select/deselect columns to be seen in a parameter window.
	Parameters are updated only when a group is opened. With the Enable updating function it is possible to set all open and visible groups to be updated automatically. Parameters that have been set to be updated automatically have a yellow background.
	Allows you to download a user set to a drive if you are using Drive composer pro. For more information on the user set handling, see the firmware manual of the drive.
	Allows you to copy a custom parameter window for another drive. This feature is useful with multidrives if you have to change a drive to see the corresponding values from another drive.
	Allows you to download parameters from a file to a drive. With a custom parameter window allows downloading offline values to a drive.
	Enables you to change the window target, which is useful if you have Drive composer pro and you have to check certain parameters of another drive. Included only in custom parameter windows.
	Provides you with a list of all user-changed parameters if you click the check box. These parameters have an orange background.
	Allows you to add or remove one parameter or signal or several parameters or signals to/from a custom parameter window.

Test Drive {0}-{0}						
Index	Name	Value	Unit	Min	Max	Default
1. Actual values						
1 Motor speed	800,00	rpm	-30000,00	30000,00	0,00	
4 Motor speed est	800,00	rpm	-30000,00	30000,00	0,00	
5 Output frequency	26,67	Hz	-30000,00	30000,00	0,00	
6 Motor current	0,00	A	0,00	30000,00	0,00	
9 Motor torque	0,0	%	-1600,0	1600,0	0,0	
10 DC Voltage	810,28	V	0,00	2000,00	0,00	
13 Power inu out	0,00	kW	-32768,00	32767,00	0,00	
30 Nominal torque scale	0,000	Nm	0,000	67840,000	0,000	
3. Input references						
4. Warnings & faults						
6. Control and status words						
7. System info						
10. Standard DI, RO						
1 DI status	0b0000	NoUnit	0b0000	0b1111 1111 1111 1111	0b0000	
2 DI delayed status	0b0000	NoUnit	0b0000	0b1111 1111 1111 1111	0b0000	
3 DI force selection	0b0000	NoUnit	0b0000	0b1111 1111 1111 1111	0b0000	
4 DI force data	0b0000	NoUnit	0b0000	0b1111 1111 1111 1111	0b0000	
5 DI 1 ON delay	5,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	
6 DI 1 OFF delay	0,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	
7 DI 2 ON delay	0,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	
8 DI 2 OFF delay	10,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	
9 DI 3 ON delay	0,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	
10 DI 3 OFF delay	0,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	
11 DI 4 ON delay	0,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	
12 DI 4 OFF delay	0,0	s	0,0	300,0	0,0	

Figure 51. Parameter window

The Parameter window contains different types of parameters. Some of these types are identified by colors or bold fonts as shown in the table below:

Icon/Example	Explanation
Regular	Normal parameters
1.1 Motor speed	Signals (bold, magenta)
1 DI status 0b0000	Bit names of a parameter can be seen by double-clicking on the parameter (bold). New window opens.
P2.1.1	Parameter value is set from another parameter, for example, parameter group 2, index 1, bit 1.
28 AI2 max 20,000	User has changed the value of a parameter (shown with an orange background).

The most common type is the regular parameter. Parameters are normally readable and writeable. However, when the drive is running, some parameters may be write-protected.

Parameter names, values, units, default values and different user sets are shown in the parameter window. The number of user sets depends on the drive type.

The value of a parameter is read only once. If you want to update this value, right-click it and select **Refresh the parameter**. You can set all visible parameters to update automatically by clicking the **Enable updating** button.

The values of signals cannot be modified. Signals are updated cyclically in the parameter window. Parameter signals are also updated frequently, but their values can be modified.

Navigating parameters and groups

Parameter values are updated if they are modified. A parameter value can be modified by double-clicking the parameter or by pressing **Enter** on a highlighted parameter. To update a value, right-click it and select **Refresh the parameter**.

In special cases where hidden parameters and groups become available by modifying some parameter values, the **View -> Refresh** command updates the whole parameter table. An example for such a group is group 51 FBA A Settings: When the adapter module has been enabled in group 50, the parameter names can be seen by selecting **View -> Refresh**.

Note: The parameter window must be closed before refreshing and opened again after refreshing.

There are five alternative formats in which parameters are shown: default, binary, hexadecimal, integer and float format. To change the format of a parameter, right-click it and select either **Use default format**, **Use binary format**, **Use hexadecimal format**, **Use integer format** or **Use float format**.

You can change the widths of the columns by dragging the vertical lines between the column headers.

You can also see the bit names of certain binary parameters by double-clicking the value field box. For example, in the picture below parameter 10.1 DI status has been double-clicked.

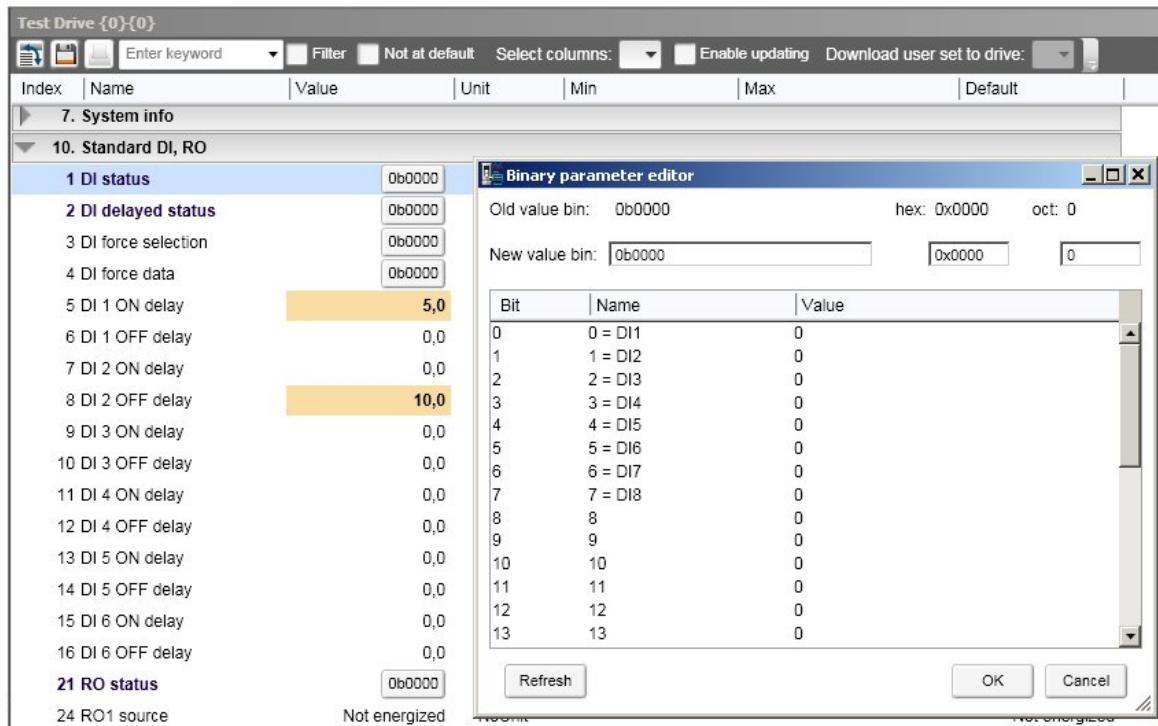


Figure 52. Bit names for a parameter

To reset a parameter, right-click it and select **Reset to default**.

Parameter values are read once when a group is opened. Independent parameters from different groups can be set to the Auto-update mode by right-clicking them and selecting **Add to auto-update**. The parameters that are updated automatically are seen with a yellow background as shown in the following figure.

Note: Signals are automatically updated cyclically.

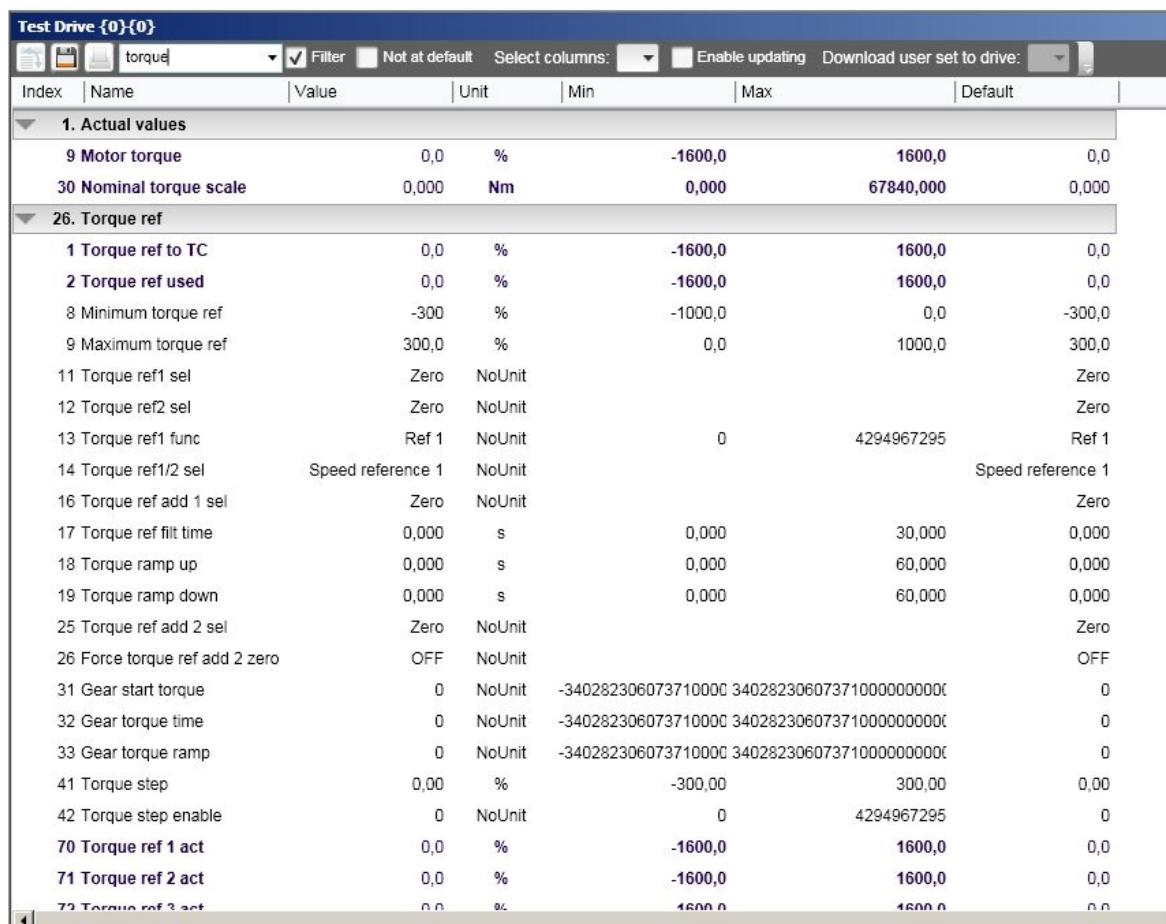
Index	Name	Value	Unit	Min	Max	Default
7. System info						
10. Standard DI, RO						
11. Standard DIO, FI, FO						
12. Standard AI						
13. Standard AO						
19. Operation mode						
11 Ext1/Ext2 sel	OFF	NoUnit				OFF
12 Ext1 ctrl mode1	Speed	NoUnit	0	4294967295	Speed	
14 Ext2 ctrl mode1	Speed	NoUnit	0	4294967295	Speed	
16 Local ctrl mode	Speed	NoUnit	0	4294967295	Speed	
17 Local ctrl disable	Enable	NoUnit	0	4294967295	Enable	
20. Start/stop/dir						
21. Start/stop mode						
22. Speed ref sel						
23. Speed ref ramp						
24. Speed ref conditioning						
25. Speed control						
26. Torque ref						
30. Limits						
11 Minimum speed	-1500	rpm	-30000,00	30000,00	-1500,00	
12 Maximum speed	2000,00	rpm	-30000,00	30000,00	2000,00	
17 Maximum current	0,00	A	0,00	30000,00	0,00	
19 Minimum torque1	-300	%	-1600,0	1600,0	-300,0	
20 Maximum torque1	300,0	%	-1600,0	1600,0	300,0	
26 P motoring lim	300,000	kW	0,000	1600,000	300,000	
27 P generation lim	300.000	kW	0.000	1600.000	300.000	

Figure 53. Parameters with a yellow background

Parameters or signals can be sent to the Monitor window by right-clicking them and selecting **Send to monitor**. Parameters can be copied to a custom parameter window by right-clicking them and selecting **Copy**. In addition, you can drag and drop parameters to a custom parameter window.

Search for groups and parameters

You can search the names of parameters and groups inside the parameter window. The search result is a list of all parameters matching the search text criteria. For example, all torque-related parameters can be found by entering search criteria “torque” in the Enter keyword field and clicking the Filter check box. To uncheck the Filter box, click it again.



The screenshot shows the 'Test Drive {0}-{0}' parameter window. The search bar at the top contains the text 'torque'. The 'Filter' checkbox is checked. The table below lists parameters grouped by category. The 'Name' column shows parameters like '9 Motor torque', '30 Nominal torque scale', '1 Torque ref to TC', etc. The 'Value' column shows values like '0,0', '0,000', etc. The 'Unit' column shows units like '%', 'Nm', etc. The 'Min' and 'Max' columns show the range of the parameter. The 'Default' column shows the default value. The 'Speed reference 1' column is shown for some parameters.

Index	Name	Value	Unit	Min	Max	Default
1. Actual values						
9	Motor torque	0,0	%	-1600,0	1600,0	0,0
30	Nominal torque scale	0,000	Nm	0,000	67840,000	0,000
26. Torque ref						
1	Torque ref to TC	0,0	%	-1600,0	1600,0	0,0
2	Torque ref used	0,0	%	-1600,0	1600,0	0,0
8	Minimum torque ref	-300	%	-1000,0	0,0	-300,0
9	Maximum torque ref	300,0	%	0,0	1000,0	300,0
11	Torque ref1 sel	Zero	NoUnit			Zero
12	Torque ref2 sel	Zero	NoUnit			Zero
13	Torque ref1 func	Ref 1	NoUnit	0	4294967295	Ref 1
14	Torque ref1/2 sel	Speed reference 1	NoUnit			Speed reference 1
16	Torque ref add 1 sel	Zero	NoUnit			Zero
17	Torque ref filt time	0,000	s	0,000	30,000	0,000
18	Torque ramp up	0,000	s	0,000	60,000	0,000
19	Torque ramp down	0,000	s	0,000	60,000	0,000
25	Torque ref add 2 sel	Zero	NoUnit			Zero
26	Force torque ref add 2 zero	OFF	NoUnit			OFF
31	Gear start torque	0	NoUnit	-340282306073710000 340282306073710000000000		0
32	Gear torque time	0	NoUnit	-340282306073710000 340282306073710000000000		0
33	Gear torque ramp	0	NoUnit	-340282306073710000 340282306073710000000000		0
41	Torque step	0,00	%	-300,00	300,00	0,00
42	Torque step enable	0	NoUnit	0	4294967295	0
70	Torque ref 1 act	0,0	%	-1600,0	1600,0	0,0
71	Torque ref 2 act	0,0	%	-1600,0	1600,0	0,0
72	Torque ref 3 act	0,0	%	1600,0	1600,0	0,0

Figure 54. Search example

Note: The first search takes about 30—60 seconds, because Drive composer goes through the whole parameter structure. The next searches are fast. All searches are in memory of the PC as long as Drive composer is on.

Custom parameter window

In Drive composer it is possible to customize parameter windows. This means that parameters/signals can be dragged and dropped or copied from the main parameter window or from other custom parameter windows. You can rename custom parameter windows.

For example, you can collect all the typical parameters used in a quick start-up to one window. You can create separate windows for separate functions (for example, references, limits, ACS880 I/O). Custom parameter windows open automatically when a connection to a drive is made because they are saved with the workplace. Custom parameter windows can also be opened separately.

Parameter values can be changed in custom parameter windows. Custom parameter windows can be used both in tabbed and floating windows environments.

Separate custom parameter windows can be also saved to a file by selecting **Save parameters to file**. The changed values in the Offline value column are saved as well. Therefore the contents of a custom parameter window can be used for the parameterization of another drive. You can send the saved custom parameter windows to other users and they can open them with their Drive composer to see parameters that you want them to check or download to a drive.

In a network of drives, you can create a custom parameter window including parameters/signals selected from different drives. To have a view where all parameters are from one drive, click the Change drive button and select the drive.

To see the value of a parameter/signal used in another drive, right-click the parameter/signal and select **Change drive**.

Index	Name	Value	Offline value	Unit	Min	Max	Default
{0}{0}Par.3.1 Panel reference 1	800,00		rpm	-100000,00	100000,00	0,00	
{0}{0}Par.3.5 FB A reference 1	0,00		rpm	-100000,00	100000,00	0,00	
{0}{0}Par.3.7 FB B reference 1	0,00		rpm	-100000,00	100000,00	0,00	
{0}{0}Par.22.1 Speed ref unlimited	800,00		rpm	-30000,00	30000,00	0,00	
{0}{0}Par.26.2 Torque ref used	0,0		%	-1600,0	1600,0	0,0	
{0}{0}Par.26.8 Minimum torque ref	-300		%	-1000,0	0,0	-300,0	
{0}{0}Par.26.9 Maximum torque ref	300,0		%	0,0	1000,0	300,0	

Figure 55. Change drive button

Adding parameters to a custom parameter window

The following example shows how to:

- create a new custom parameter window
- add parameters to a custom parameter window
- modify the Offline value column in the custom parameter window
- copy/download parameters to a drive.

1. Click **File** → **New** → **Custom parameter set**.
2. Name your custom parameter window.
3. Click the Add button to add parameters/signals to the new custom parameter window.
4. Select the minimum and maximum speed values from group 30.
5. Change the values in the Offline value column to be the same as the online values.
Note: The values in the Offline value column do not have to be the same as the online values.
6. Save the custom parameter window by clicking the Save parameters to file icon.
7. When connecting the next drive open the above-created custom parameter window by clicking **File** → **Open** → **Custom parameter set**.
You can now see the online values of the new drive.
8. Copy the offline parameter values to a new drive by clicking **Download to device**.

Working with parameter files

To save the parameter names and values to a parameter file (*.dcparamsbak), click the Save parameters to file icon. The *.dcparams files can be opened with Drive composer.

Note: If you use Drive composer entry you cannot modify parameter files in the Offline mode. With Drive composer pro parameter values can be modified offline.

To copy the parameter file to a connected drive, click the **Download to device** button.

Drive composer shows the opened parameter files in a tree structure.

Note: Drive composer does not check the drive type and software version when copying parameters from a custom parameter window to a drive. Only visible parameters are copied to a drive when the download command is used. Use the backup/restore (Save parameters / Download to device) operation to restore also the user-hidden parameters such as ID (motor identification run) results to a drive.

Pointer parameters

One special type of a parameter is a pointer parameter. The value of a pointer parameter is read from the parameter it points to. Depending on the pointer parameter, value or bit pointer, its target can be another parameter or one of its bits. Some pointer parameters can be assigned TRUE or FALSE.

In most cases, common settings are offered as a selection list. In those cases where the selection list does not offer the correct pointer, pointing can be done by selecting **Other...** from a selection list.

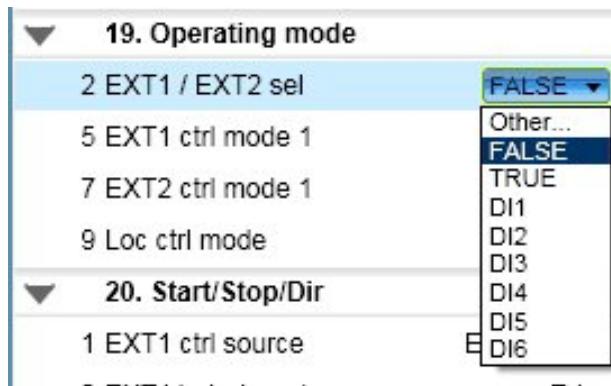


Figure 56. Constant value for a pointer parameter

Select a parameter from the list for a value pointer and then its bit from 0 to 31 for a bit pointer.

You can also enter a value manually by selecting **Edit manually** check box. The value must follow form **P.#.#.#**, where the first # is the parameter group number, the second # is the parameter number and the third # is the bit number without leading zeros (for example **P.2.1.2**).

TRUE or FALSE are the constant values that can be entered manually.

Binary parameters

Binary parameters have a special meaning for each of their bits. These parameters are modified in a special Set binary parameter dialog. The value can be modified numerically in binary, hexadecimal or decimal format.

Values can be modified bit-by-bit by double-clicking with the primary mouse button the value field for each bit. If some of the bits are not allowed to be edited, they are grayed out.

Another way to modify a bit is to type the bit value directly to the New value [bin] field.

Signal values, which are in binary format, can be viewed in a similar dialog.

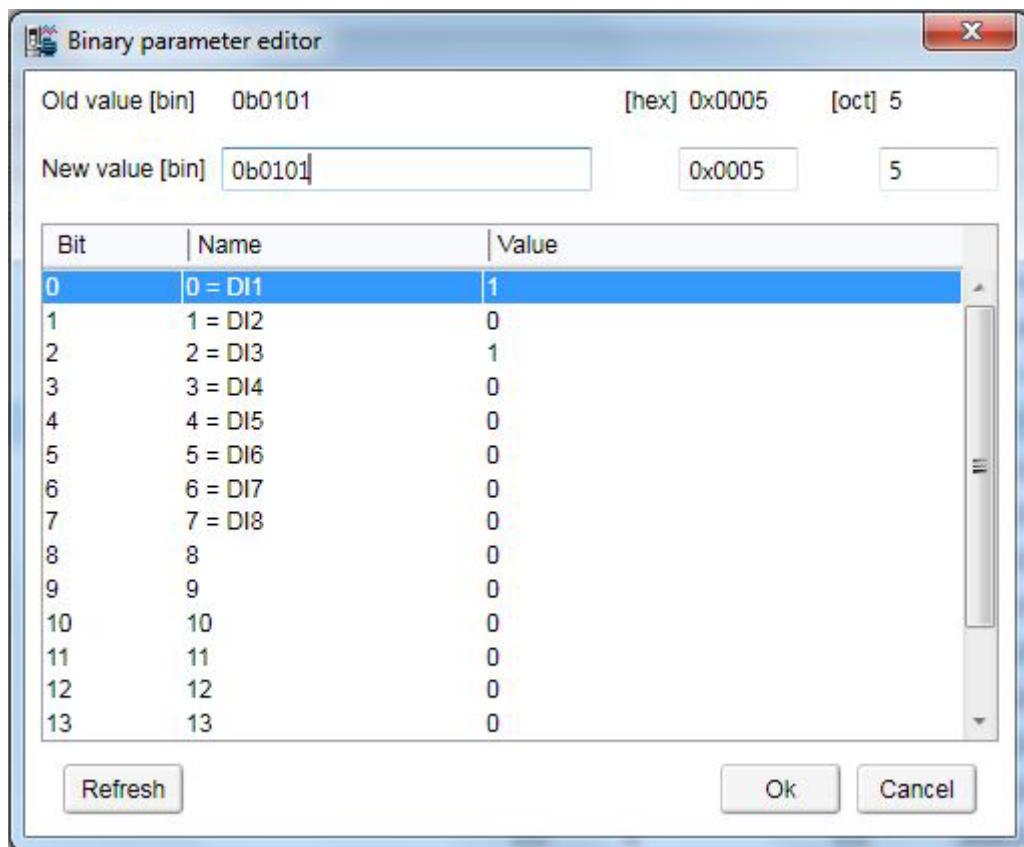


Figure 57. Binary parameter editor

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Monitor window

What this chapter contains

This chapter describes the Monitor window and its use.

Monitor window

You can use Drive composer to observe the operation of connected drives. The Monitor window shows signal values in graphical or numerical format online. The monitor data can be saved to a file for later use.

With Drive composer entry you can monitor 2 signals using 1-second time stamping.

With Drive composer pro you can monitor 32 signals. 8 signals can be monitored with fast time stamping.

The Monitor window is always a tabbed window, in other words, there is only one Monitor window available.

User-made monitoring settings (selected signals, y-scalings for signals, pen colors, number of grids etc.) are saved with a workspace. See chapter [Workspace handling](#) for more information.

■ Resizing the Monitor window

When you start Drive composer the Monitor window is in the minimized position and you have to lift it in the following way before you can start monitoring.

- You can resize the Monitor window by clicking the title bar with the primary mouse button and dragging it upwards.

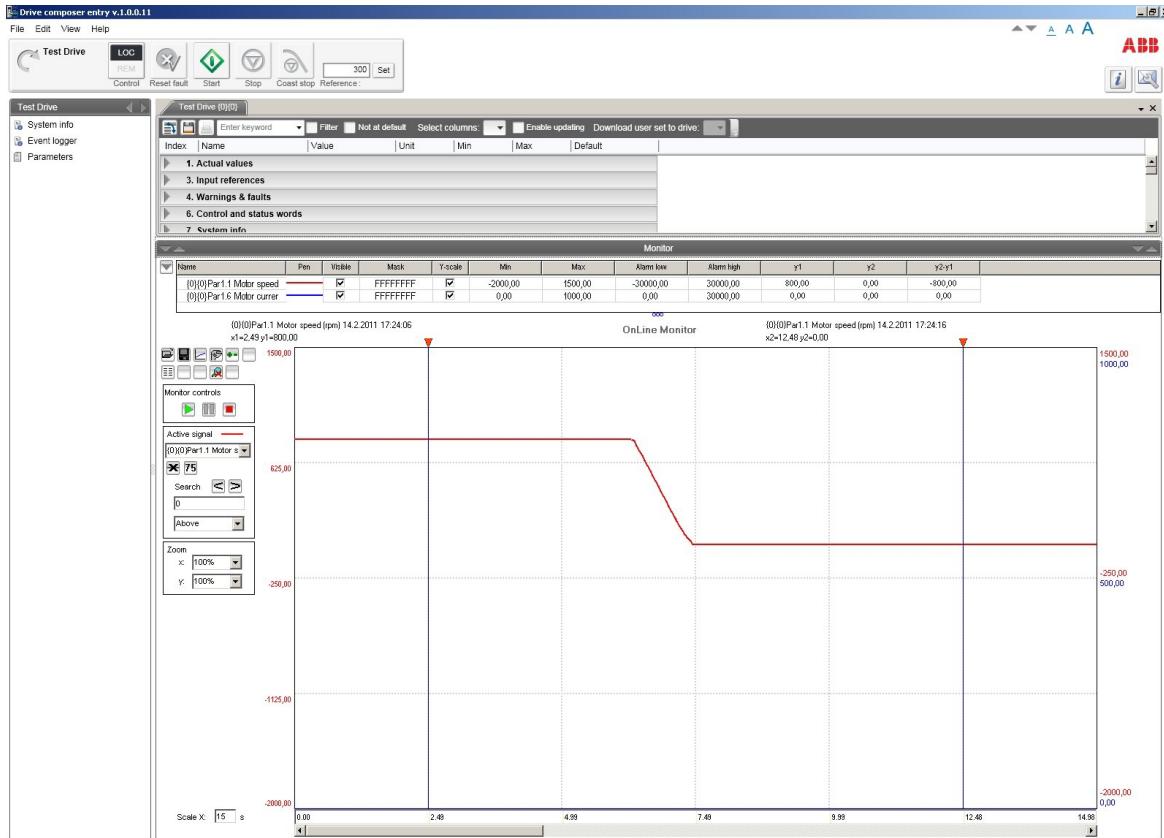


Figure 58. Monitor window

- You can resize the Monitor window with the Minimize, Maximize and Split monitor buttons included in the Monitor menu bar.
- You can lift the Monitor window by clicking the arrow buttons in the title bar.

Adding parameters/signals for monitoring

There are two ways to add parameters/signals to the Monitor window:

- Right-click a parameter/signal in the parameter window and select **Send to monitor**.

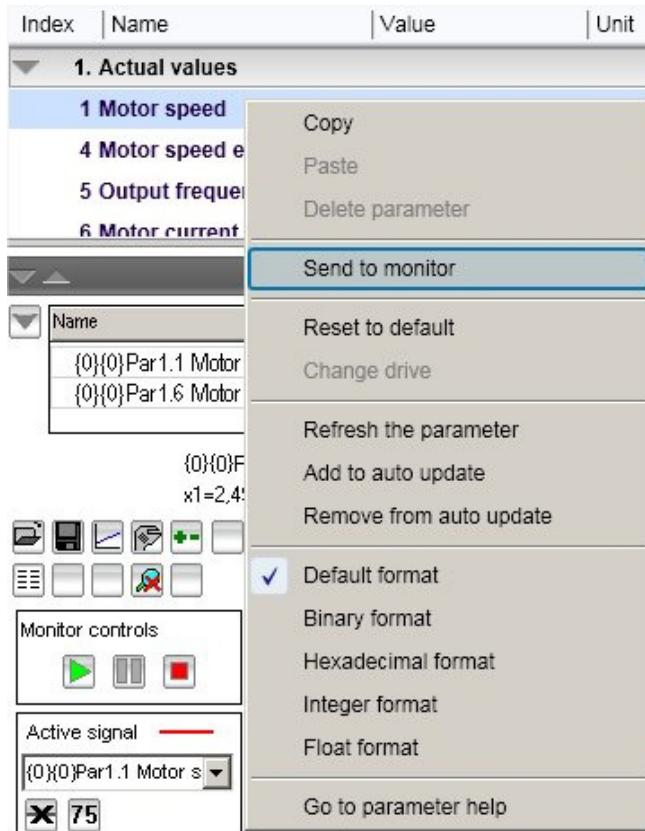


Figure 59. Send to monitor command

- Click the Add signal icon on the Configurations and control area in the Monitor window.



Figure 60. Icons on the Configuration and control area in the Monitor window

Select parameters from the Drive parameters list by double-clicking them or by selecting and clicking the Add button.

Note: With Drive composer pro you can select signals/parameters from many different drives. Change the drive from the Drive list as shown in the following figure.

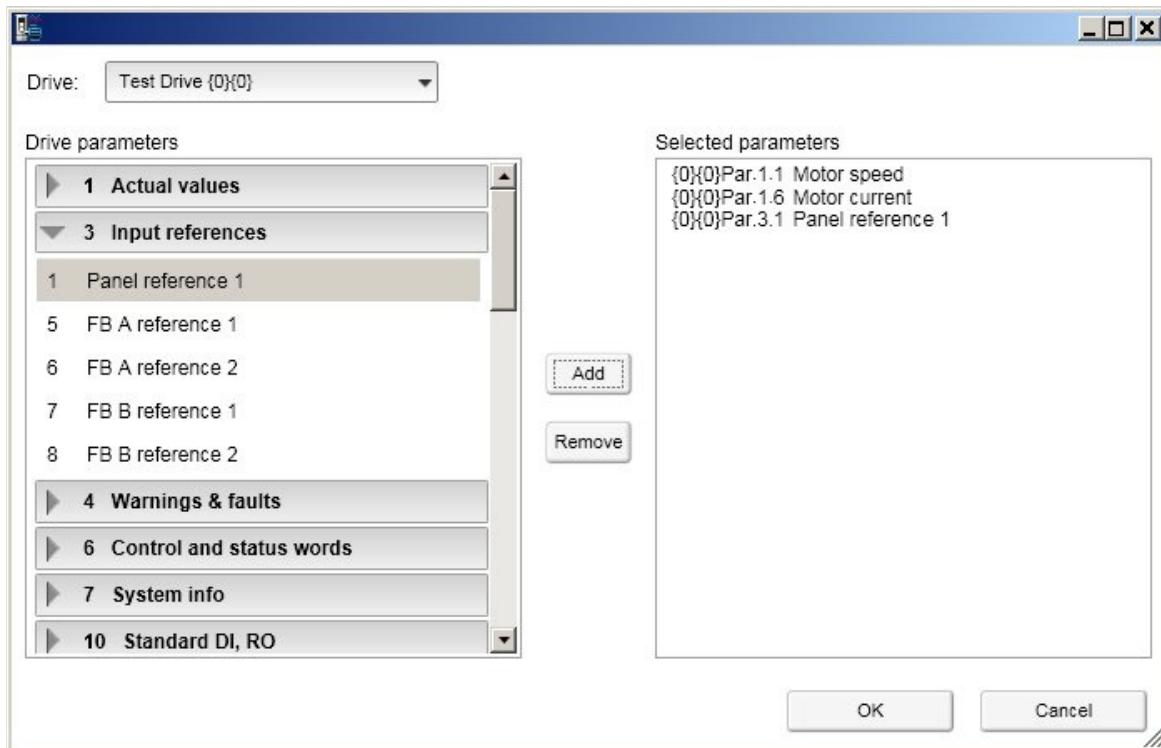


Figure 61. Drive list

The selected signals appear in the legend area.

To change the scalings of the y-axis of selected parameters/signals, click the Min or Max column in the legend area.

Active signals can be changed from the pull-down menu on the left side of the graph area.

All the other signal scalings are performed on the right side of the legend area. The right side y-scalings can be hidden by removing the check mark from the Y-scale column check box.



Figure 62. Changing the pen color and style in the legend area

You can change the color and thickness of the pen only after you have minimized, that is hidden, the legend area with the Arrow button on the left (see the figure above).

■ Monitor window components

The Monitor window consists of the following parts:

- Configuration and control settings
- Graph area
- Y-axis
- X-axis
- Legend area
- Limit, color settings.

Configuration and control settings

Icon	Description
	Opens the saved monitored file to the graph area, which can be done only after monitoring has been stopped. File extension is *.dcmon. Note: If you have an online connection and want to start a new monitoring session after viewing opened monitored data, you can click the Monitor configuration icon.
	Saves the accumulated monitor data to a monitored data file. File extension is *.dcmon.
	Chart configuration can be used to set the colors for grids, number of grids, background color, color of alarm pen etc.
	Opens the Monitor settings window where you can modify the monitor settings and the select the monitored signals. You can also set the method for starting and/or stopping monitoring (by hand/time/trigger). You have to select the HD where the saved data is stored. Note: The monitored data is saved cyclically to the selected file (data is not stored in RAM).
	Allows you to create an arithmetic signal for monitoring by using two signals used in monitoring. Available operations are ADD, SUB, MUL and DIV. Note: Remember to save settings in a workspace.
	Opens a dialog where you can add or remove one signal or several signals from the monitor configuration. Note: You can use the Add signal function only when monitoring has been stopped.
	Shows the signal values in text format. Only the values seen in graph area are included in the numeric signal value list.
	Copies the monitoring graph to a clipboard.
	Scales the y-axis automatically. Note: Zooming is not possible in the Autoscaling mode.
	Resets both x- and y-axis zooming to original 100%.
	You can export the monitored data in csv format to a PC. Exported data can be analyzed with other tools. Use the Tab key for delimiting the columns. File extension is *.dcexp.

Monitor controls

Icon	Description
	Starts recording data in the selected drives and displaying it on the screen.
	Pauses monitoring on the screen but monitoring continues on the background. When you click the Pause icon again, all values are seen and monitoring continues normally.
	Stops recording data in the selected drives. The graph or numerical values remain on the screen. The graph can be saved for later purposes.

Active signal

The Active signal area consists of functions that can be done with the selected active signal. The signal can be changed from the pull-down menu.

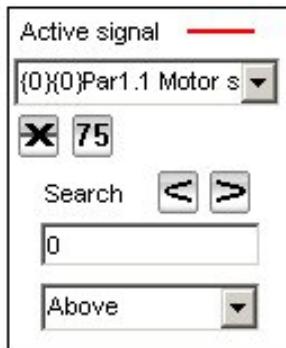


Figure 63. Active signal area

The main functions are the following:

Icon	Description
	Allows you to see the measuring points of the active signal. See figure Measuring points for the active signal . Note: This functionality works only if you have zoomed in enough in the graph area, that is, if the length of the x-axis is short enough.
	Allows you to see the numeric values of the measuring points for the active signal. See figure Measuring points for the active signal . Note: This functionality works only if you have zoomed in enough in the graph area.
	Searches to the left. The following search conditions can be selected from the pull-down menu: Above, Below or Either. See figure Search functionality .
	Searches to the right. The following search conditions can be selected from the pull-down menu: Above, Below or Either. See figure Search functionality .

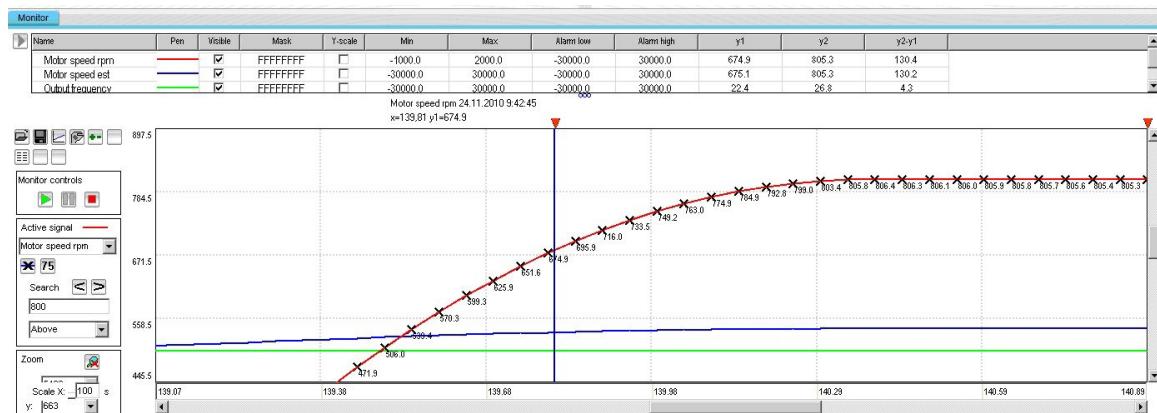


Figure 64. Measuring points for the active signal

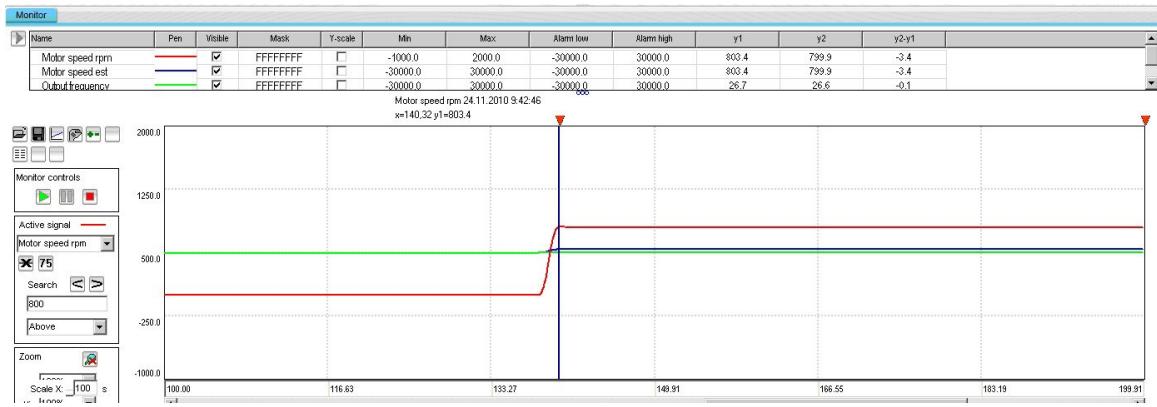


Figure 65. Search functionality

Zoom tool

With the zoom tool you can enlarge the graph and take a closer look at interesting details. To do so, follow these steps:

1. To set the starting corner for the enlargement, place the mouse cursor in the graph area and press down the primary mouse button.
2. Drag to the opposite desired corner, and release the button.
The part of the graph that was inside the selection rectangle zooms out to fill the graph area.
3. To reset the zoom tool, click the Reset zoom icon.

You can also use the zooming tool by selecting independent values from the x and y pull-down menus.

Note: Monitoring is paused during zooming. To continue monitoring, click the Reset zoom icon shown in the figure below.

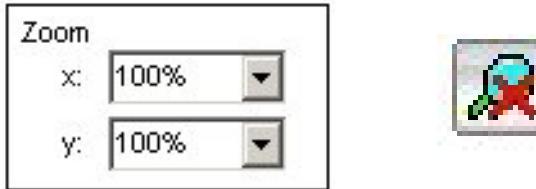


Figure 66. Zoom tool

Legend area functions

The legend area shows selected signals. You can perform the following actions in the legend area:

- Change the color of the pen and the thickness and style of the pen by minimizing the legend area and setting the values of each signal. See figure [Legend area functions](#).
- Make signals visible or invisible by clicking the check box in the Visible column.
- Set a bit mask for monitoring. When you double-click the value in the Mask column, a new window opens allowing you to select bits for monitoring.
- Make Y-scalings visible or invisible by clicking the check box in the Y-scale column.
- Set values for y-axis scaling. You can modify the minimum and maximum values by clicking them and entering a new value. Press Enter to enforce the new value or press Esc to return the value.

Note: If you do not see immediate changes in the graph area, check that autoscaling is not enabled.

- Set alarm limits for monitored signals. The color of a signal changes when the limit in the Alarm low or Alarm high column is reached. The color and style for the pen are selected from **Chart settings**.
- See the double cursor tool, y1 and y2 values and $y_2 - y_1$ and $x_2 - x_1$ differences.

Name	Pen	Visible	Mask	Y-scale	Min	Max	Alarm low	Alarm high	y1	y2	y2-y1
(0)(0)Par1.1 Motor speed (rpm)	—	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FFFFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	-2000,00	1500,00	-30000,00	30000,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
(0)(0)Par1.6 Motor current (A)	—	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FFFFFF	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0,00	1000,00	0,00	30000,00	0,00	0,00	0,00

Figure 67. Legend area functions

Graph area functions

The Monitor window and Data logger window have similar graph area facilities for displaying signal values. Their usage is described here. Before Drive composer starts monitoring online, the OnLine monitor text is seen in the graph area. When monitor files are viewed, the DataFile Viewer text is seen on the Monitor window.

The graph area shows the selected signal values with different colors. Time runs on the x-axis. The x-axis can be set from 0 to 120s. The x-axis can be also changed during online monitoring. Scalings of the y-axis are changed in the legend area.

An orange arrow-head on the x-axis indicates where triggering has occurred. Data can be collected from several files to one graph.

■ Double cursor tool

With the cursor tool, you can see the exact values of the signals at two positions in the graph area. You can move the position of cursors by clicking the primary mouse button down on the red cursor tool icon and moving it. While the mouse button is pressed down, you can move the cursor line to the left and right.

The time stamp of the cursor tool is shown in the header of the cursor tool. This is shown for the active signal. The time stamp changes if active signal is changed. The values for y1 and y2 are shown in the legend area. Signal value differences are shown in the column y2—y1. The time difference for x2—x1 is also shown in the figure below.

Name	Pen	Visible	Mask	Y-scale	Min	Max	Alarm low	Alarm high	y1	y2	y2-y1	x2-x1
{0}{0}Par3.1 Panel referer	—	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FFFFFF		-1000,00	1000,00	-100000,00	100000,00	400,00	300,00	-100,00	20,02

(0){0}Par3.1 Panel reference 1 (NoUnit) 8.9.2011 12:19:56
x2=5,38 y1=400,00

OnLine Monitor

(0){0}Par3.1 Panel reference 1 (NoUnit) 8.9.2011 12:20:16
x2=25,40 y2=300,00

Figure 68. Double cursor tool

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Workspace handling

What this chapter contains

This chapter describes the workspace functionality.

Overview

Workspace consists of the user interface status, such as parameter windows, custom parameter windows, monitoring window contents and scalings in the monitoring window.

The current workspace status can be saved to a file and restored later.

Note: You cannot save/restore the following status data:

- drive control status
- content, status and zooming levels of a stopped, paused or running monitor.

Note: Do not edit a workspace or graph file. The workspace (.dcxml) and monitored data (.dcmon) files can contain binary data. For example, if the default workspace file is corrupted, Drive composer does not open. If Drive composer does not open, delete your default (.dcxml) file from the PC and open Drive composer again.

Creating a workspace and using it as a default workspace

1. Make a connection to a drive.
2. Resize the Monitor window to half a screen.
3. Create a new custom parameter window by clicking **File** → **New...** → **Custom parameter set** and name it “Own limit window”.

See figure [Save workspace command](#).

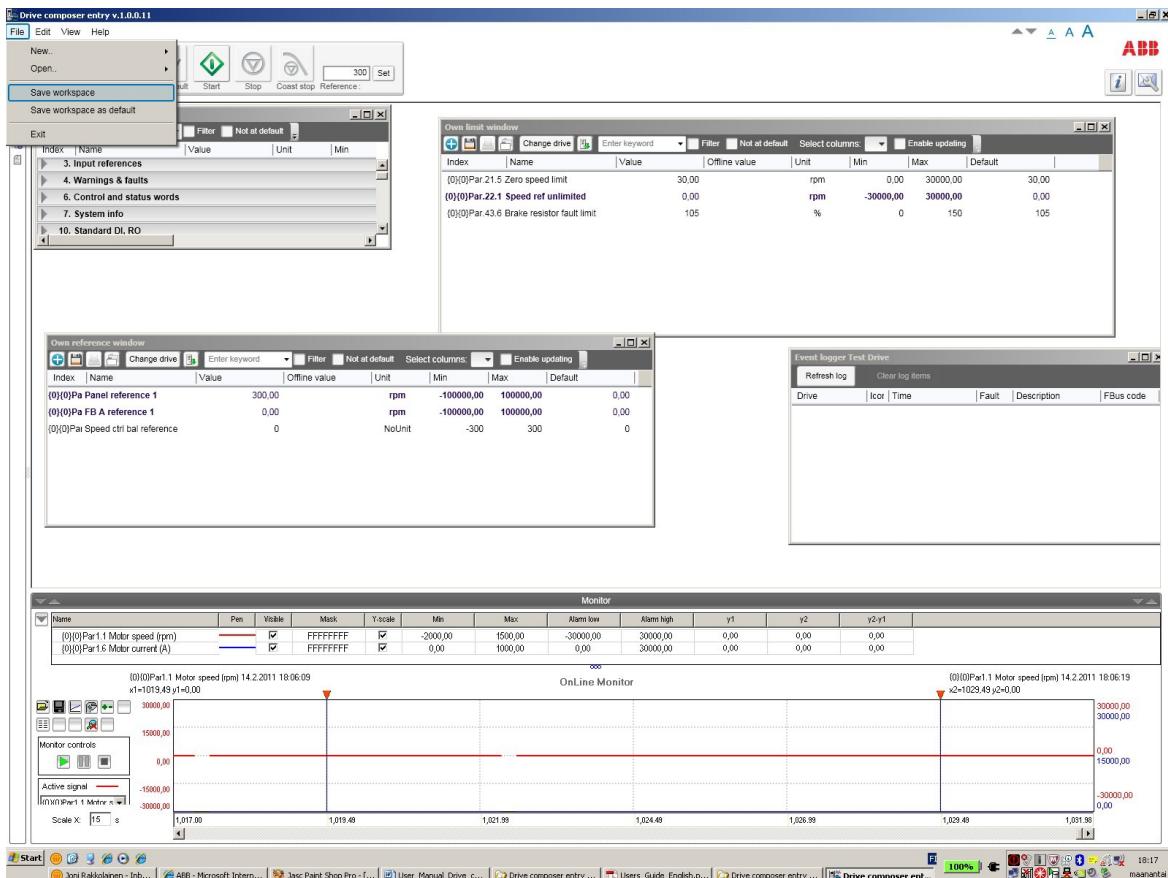


Figure 69. *Save workspace command*

4. Create another custom parameter window and name it “Own reference window”.
5. Select floating windows by clicking **View** → **Floating windows**.
6. Enter keyword “Limit” in the Enter keyword field of the main parameter window.
7. Select parameters in the main parameter window and drag and drop or copy them to custom parameter window Limit.
8. Clear the search result and enter keyword “ref” in the Enter keyword field.
9. Select parameters in the main parameter window and drag and drop or copy them to custom parameter window Own reference window.
10. Close the main parameter window.
11. Click the Event logger icon in the drive list on the left.
12. Click the Add signal icon in the Monitor window and add signals.
13. Set y-axis settings for your signals in the legend area.

14. Set colors for the signals by minimizing the legend area and changing the colors of pens.
15. Click **File → Save workspace** and name it “OwnWorkspaceFor_ACS880”.

See figures [Save workspace command](#) and [Name for your own workspace](#).

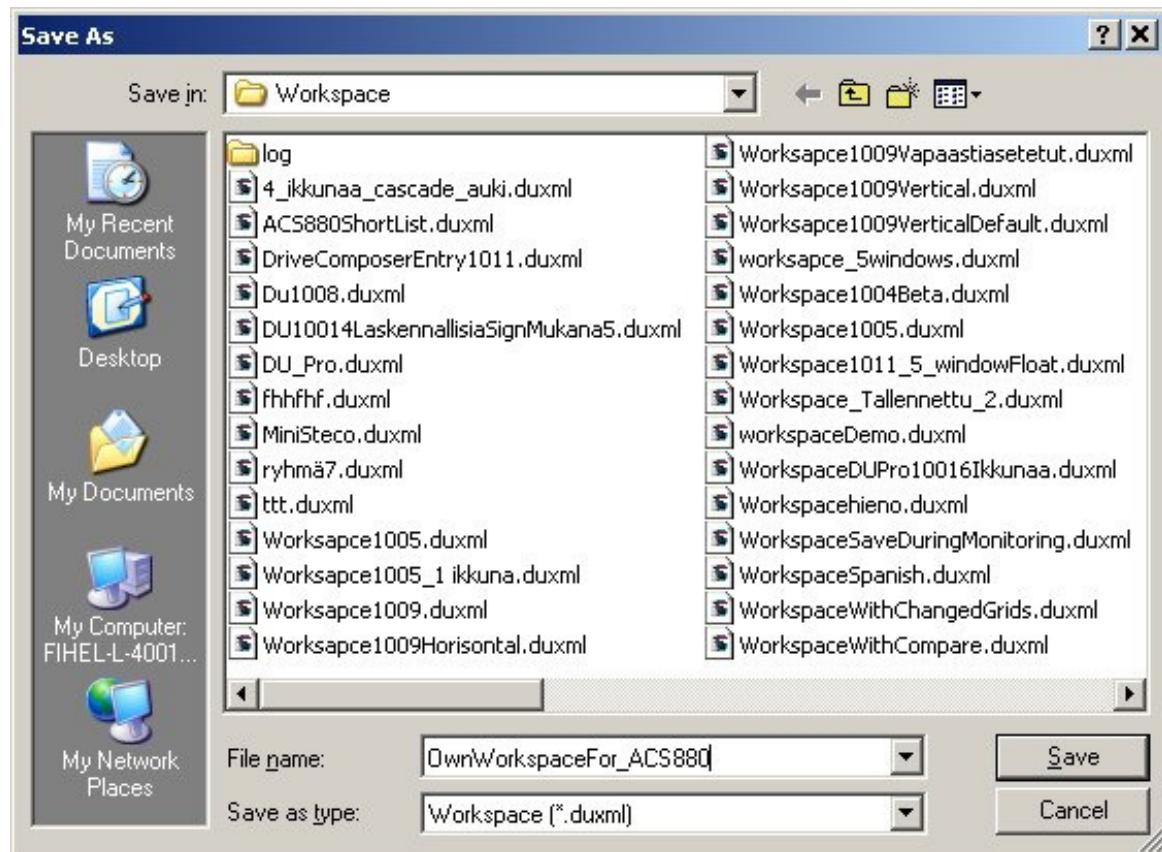


Figure 70. Name for your own workspace

16. Close the connection to the drive and make a new connection.
17. Click **File → Open... → Workspace** and open the workplace that you have just saved.

See figure [Open workspace command](#).

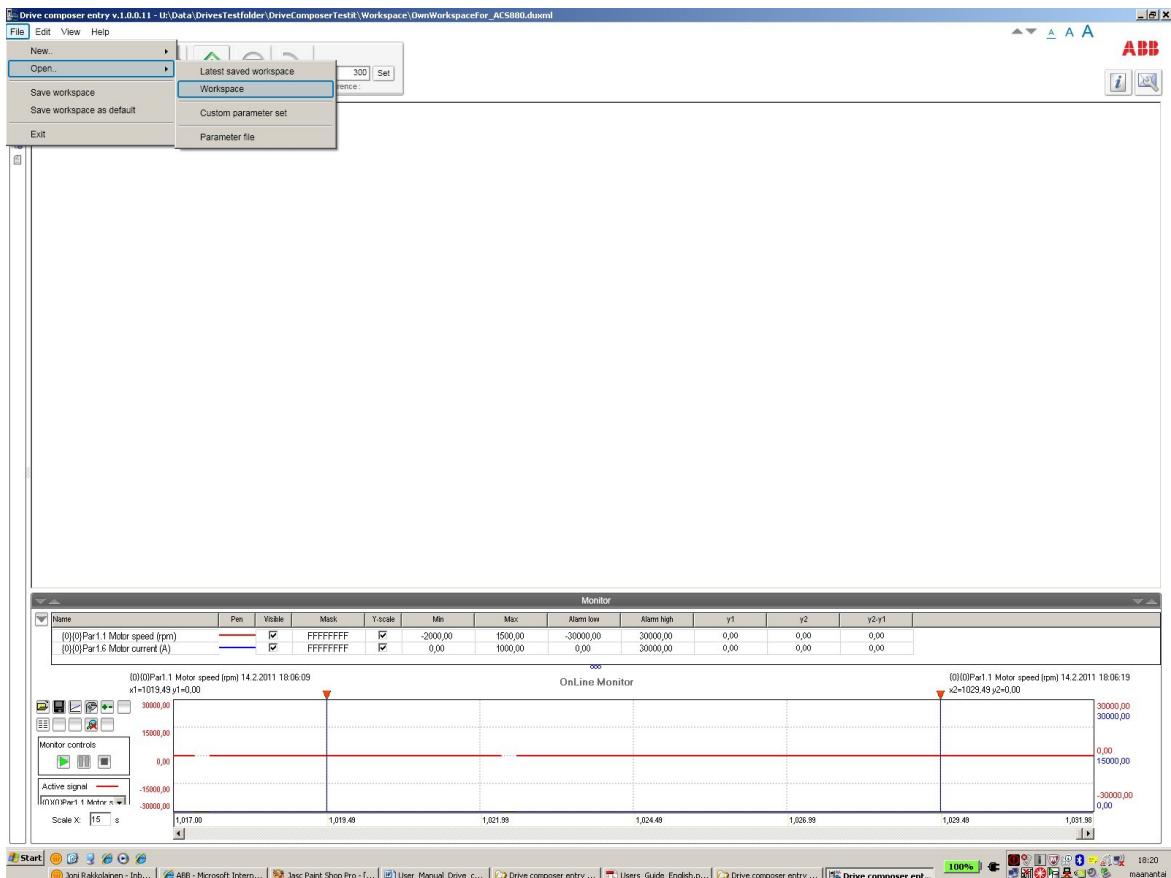


Figure 71. Open workspace command

The workspace is ready to be used for commissioning and maintaining drives.

The workspace can be also saved as a default workspace, so that it opens automatically when Drive composer is started.

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Event logger

What this chapter contains

This chapter describes the Event logger view and its use.

Event logger view

The Event logger view displays the contents of the event logger of a connected drive. The contents of the Event logger can be faults (stopping the drive), alarms or events. See the figure below.

Event logger ACS880_1						
Drive	Icon	Time	Fault	Description	FBus code	AUX code
31.12.1979 12:05:14						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	✗	31.12.1979 12:05:14	5692	Board powerfail	0	2
01.01.1980 07:54:44						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	✗	01.01.1980 07:54:44	5692	Board powerfail	0	2
31.12.1979 12:00:00						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	✗	31.12.1979 12:00:00	5692	Board powerfail	0	2
31.12.1979 12:05:15						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	✗	31.12.1979 12:05:15	5692	Board powerfail	0	2
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	✗	31.12.1979 12:05:15	5692	Board powerfail	0	2
31.12.1979 12:28:22						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:28:22	A6E5			
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:28:22	A6E5			
31.12.1979 12:27:33						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:27:33	A6E5			
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:27:33	A6E5			
31.12.1979 12:26:14						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:26:14	A6E5			
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:26:14	A6E5			
31.12.1979 12:08:46						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:08:46	A6E5			
31.12.1979 12:08:45						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:08:45	A6E5			
31.12.1979 12:01:46						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:01:46	A6E5			
31.12.1979 12:01:45						
ACS880_1 {0}.{0}	⚠	31.12.1979 12:01:45	A6E5			

Figure 72. Event logger view

The Event logger always relates to a single drive and resides in its window. To empty the contents of the fault logger in the drive and the screen, click the Clear log items button.

Note: The deleted contents cannot be read by the PC tool or panel any more.

The Icon column shows the following alarm and fault icons:

- Red circle with a white cross (✗) means that the drive has a fault.
- Yellow triangle with an exclamation mark means that the drive has an alarm.
- Grey circle or triangle means that the fault or alarm has disappeared from the drive.

The time stamp for faults, alarms and events comes from the drive.

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